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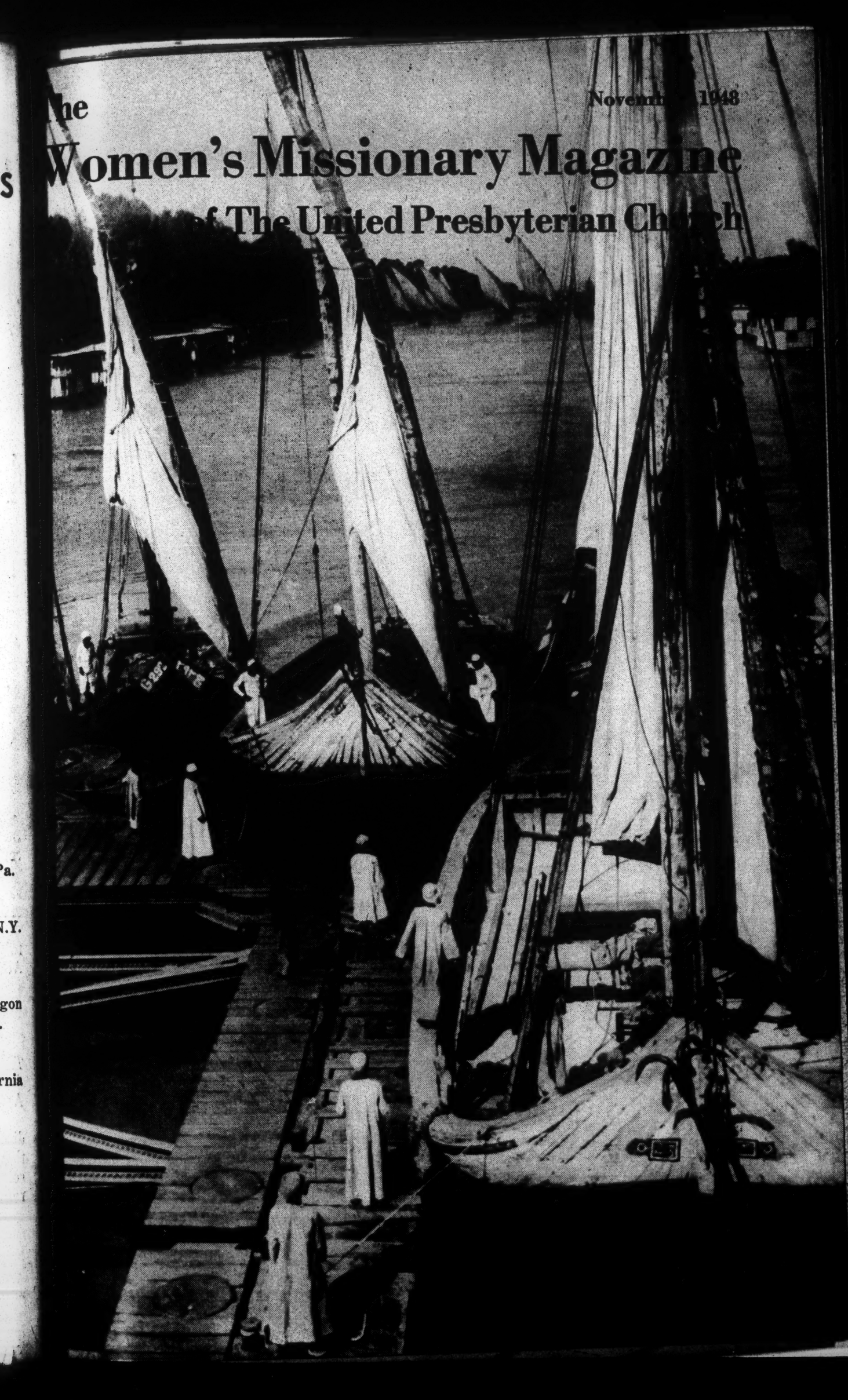

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Good and Perfect Gifts

For all the bounties heaven doth give,
Give Thanks!
For all that makes us strong to live,
Give Thanks!
For whether they seem good or ill,
They have a purpose to fulfill;
God makes them subject to His will—
Give Thanks!

For blessings rich beyond compare,
Give Thanks!
For love divine which all may share,
Give Thanks!
For mercies which the past displays,
For guidance all along life's ways,
For promised grace for future days,
Give Thanks!

Fred Scott Shepard

A Little Time Apart

A girl of India, typical of thousands of girls to whom we are extending our Outreach.

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+ W. G. M. S. OUTREACH +

Cooperation With The Board Of Foreign Missions

By MRS. ARTHUR B. McBRIDE, Foreign Secretary, W.G.M.S.

THE early history of The Women's General Missionary Society is a thrilling story, and often the Board members of today marvel at the sincere faith, clever foresight, and good common sense of those thoughtful builders of the past. We marvel, too, at the devotion of those women, and of the many who have followed them on the Board of Directors, who have given so unstintingly of their time, talents, and tithe for the carying on of the work of the women of our Church. It is a worthy example they have set for us who have been called to carry on in these later years.

Looking Backward

In the year 1872 the General Assembly issued a call to the women of the Church: " to take a deeper interest in Foreign Missions." The Homeland had already claimed their interest, but the Board of Foreign Missions needed the help of the women in the task of making Christ known overseas. It was in Sparta, Illinois in 1884 that the permanent organization of women was effected, to be called The Women's General Missionary Society, and the matter of Foreign Missions was only one department of the entire work they planned to do.

The women of the W.G.M.S. prayed faithfully for the new undertaking. Little by little the work grew, prayers were answered, missionaries were sent out, new work was started, gifts of money came into the treasury, the Thank Offering came into being and the Lord's blessing was upon "their work of faith and labor of love."

As the work enlarged, their faith was deepened and their desires quickened and they "lengthened their cords and strengthened their stakes," so that today we have taken great responsibility for making Christ known across the seas. The Board of Foreign Missions is one of the budget boards of our United Presbyterian Church and as such receives a percentage of the missionary offerings of the Church. (At present it is 39½%.) This mission-

ary money is to be used by the Foreign Board for the work of the whole Church in Egypt, India and Pakistan, The Sudan and Ethiopia and reported by the Board to the General Assembly. The women contribute to the missionary budget of the Church, and also have the responsibility of the special work assigned to the women. The Women's Board of the W.G.M.S. receives no budget from the Church, but depends entirely upon free-will offerings and Thank Offerings, lapsed annuities and legacies, and earned income from investments. Each year two members of the Women's Board present the annual report of the W.G.M.S. to the General Assembly. The Women's, Young Women's, and Junior Societies of the Presbyterials contribute to all departments of work and the Department of Foreign Missions receives that which is so designated. It is with gratitude we accept payment or part-payment for a missionary salary from any individual or group, for this greatly helps to lighten the load.

Our Outreach Today

The W.G.M.S. has now upon the roll of active missionaries 95, and on the roll of retired missionaries 20, of whom 17 are retired from active service and 3 are inactive because of illness, making a total of 115 regular missionaries supported. The Women's Board has also appointed two regular missionaries to Ethiopia, one to the South Sudan and one is re-appointed to Egypt. These have not yet gone into active service. Also the Board has appointed 15 short-term missionaries who serve for three years under contract, and are paid by the institution to which they have been assigned. Besides the salaries of the 95 active missionaries on the field, there are travel expenses, language study, etc., as well as the maintenance of institutions and all expenses incident to the upkeep of hospitals, schools, houses for missionaries, Bible Women, matrons and servants and station expenses on the four foreign fields. The appropriations for the four fields abroad for the coming year are over one-quarter of a million dollars.

Looking Forward

The Lord has greatly blessed the work carried on by the women of the Church administered by the Women's Board. The relations between our Board and the Board of Foreign Missions have been very harmonious and helpful. We work together—the Foreign Board sending men with families and young men, and the Women's Board the single lady missionaries. In some cases the women's work is independent, in others it is in institutions; often the upkeep is a Foreign Board responsibility but the staff will have W.G.M.S. missionaries. The outreach into work in new areas is to be done jointly. Doors of opportunity are wide open in some fields and threatening to close in others. "Time is of the essence," and we must go forward, but to do so we must have increased devotion to the cause of making Christ known, more volunteers for service, more prayer for the work and more money to send out workers and develop work already started, as well as open new work.

We realize the desperate condition of the world today, that Christ is the answer to the world's need and that He commands us to "Go—Tell." Our prayer is that He will revive and quicken His Church that it may go forward trusting His promises.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. Matthew 28:19,20.

We Expand The Christian Witness In Egypt

By MISS LAURA B. WRIGHT, Tanta, Egypt

AGAIN and again in this our day, we are brought face to face with the fact that the most important job in the universe right now is to get out the Good News of the Grace of God. As we lift up our eyes to the fields everywhere, we see political and social upheavals and these very upheavals are making many people really seek for an answer that will give meaning and hope to life and eternity.

The Witness of an Indigenous Church

It is self evident that if Egypt (as well as other countries) is to be reached for the Lord, our goal must continue to be a strong, effective, indigenous church. Not only will such a church last long after missionaries are no longer welcome in many foreign countries, but it is the only answer to the unreached millions. The missionary is constantly circumscribed by barriers of language and customs, and an imperfect appreciation of the tradition and culture of another people. The only means for reaching a country totally for Christ is through the leadership of the nationals themselves. As more and more peoples of the world become free and self governing, they are less and less interested in the message of salvation unless it comes from their own people. The problem, then, is one of reaching those nationals who will themselves constitute an effective witness for the Lord Jesus. That is the only effective way I know of expanding our witness in Egypt.

The Witness of Christian Schools

Perhaps if my task in Egypt throughout the years had been to superintend one of our mission schools for boys or girls I would write at length upon how the Christian schools have laid the strong foundation upon which the lasting work of the Mission has been built. I mean that the initial education of all our mission workers and church leaders has been procured in a Christian school. I would show how our schools have enriched the life of the church and of the country; yes, I would add a special section showing how the teaching of daughters of national leaders in a mission school is an entrance that direct evangelism cannot accomplish. The homes of the wealthy, the homes of teachers and pastors, the homes of the poor reveal the results of Christian training or the lack of it. When visiting in a home for the first time, I find it easy to sense the fact when some member of the family has been in a mission school.

Each summer during vacation many pupils volunteer to carry on Daily Vacation Bible School in their own homes or communities. It is interesting to hear their expressions of pleasure and satisfaction from the work. Reports of this work have appeared in our church papers from time to time. The conference for teen-age girls held last July in Tanta opened the eyes of the girls to ways they might serve. That conference has also been reported.

The Witness of Christian Hospitals

Mission hospitals also have a share in expanding the Christian witness. Last year Tanta Hospital took care of patients from 23 towns and villages. All who came had opportunities to hear the Gospel. In many of these villages there is no church nor meeting place, no Christian school, in some not even one Christian home. Whenever we can reach some of these places by the Delta Car the hospital Bible teacher receives a warm welcome from former patients.

While we were on the Delta Car in April we met some interesting volunteer workers. One man had given up his business to go everywhere preaching the Gospel, trusting the Lord to supply his every need. Another teacher spends his week ends visiting in out-of-the-way places. He is a Copt but attends the Evangelical services to get new sermons to deliver. Another youth who works in the mills witnesses to those who work with him, and gives out many tracts and Gospel portions. Many women would leave their work to guide us to homes they wanted us to visit.

Evangelism

At the time the request for this article came we were busy with final plans for two hours in Evangelism with three groups of children and young people each morning from September 1 to 17. Our whole aim was that these children from Christian homes might know what it means to be a Christian and to realize His presence and keeping in daily living. Children came from Protestant, Syrian Orthodox and Coptic homes and all responded enthusiastically to the teaching. What especially pleased us is the way the parents have cooperated by sending the children on time, by listening to them tell what they have learned, and by helping them work out assignments or make drawings to illustrate some truth. Who can measure how the Lord is using and will use these children in expanding the Christian witness in Egypt?

Last week a telegram came announcing, "Mother died." So we took the train to Mit Ghamir to comfort Muneera, one of our second-year students. How she welcomed us! Her quiet self control was such a contrast to the scene put on by her brothers and sisters. Muneera had come to us in 1942, hungry to study the Word and to have it opened to her.

When she went home for summer vacation, her mother noted such a change that she said, "You are no longer a good Copt. You can't return to that Protestant school." So Muneera stayed at home. She continued to study the Word, having her family and friends join her and all the time she showed by her life that Christianity is more than a label — it's a Life. Among others, her mother accepted Jesus as her personal Saviour. In 1946 her mother wanted Muneera to return to school again to study the Bible. How happy she was to come! At the mourning, Badia, one of Muneera's sisters said as we were leaving, "May I come to Tanta and study the Bible too, so that I too will be a blessing on any and every occasion?"

Several of our graduates from the Bible Teachers' Training School are "urgent in season, out of season, buying up the opportunity because the days are evil." Two of them had a personal talk with everyone who attended each of the two conferences in Tanta during July. They found some who did not know the way of salvation and many who lacked assurance. They were able to point out the Way.

Literacy

You have heard of the Literacy Campaign which was launched in the Spring of 1947 following the visit of Dr. Frank Laubach to Egypt. You have seen reports of the first year's efforts which met with many set-

backs due to inadequate organization, delays in publishing needed literature, the cholera epidemic, etc. Certainly it offers to the Church in Egypt a unique opportunity to expand her witness.

As a result of the promotional work the first year, there was much talk about the campaign and people are more clear in their understanding of what it is all about. Possibilities have been seen in many who are known to have learned to read. In Deir el Ganadla, fifteen women and twelve men volunteered each to teach from one to ten others. The pastor has great hopes that within a year all his church members will be literate. A blind evangelist had already taught forty-five men and women to read and was delighted to hear of a method which will draw many others into teaching.

In August 1948, Dr. R. T. McLaughlin agreed to be General Director of the campaign. The need at present is not only for more volunteers in teaching, but in organizing, planning, and co-ordinating. Much more literature must be available and writers are being encouraged to make contributions using the basic word lists prepared for the campaign. A most urgent need is for an Egyptian Field Director who will repeatedly visit the local committees already established in about half a dozen centers, and help organize more of them over the country.

We are eager to get reports from the students from universities, colleges and other schools who volunteered to teach illiterates during the summer vacation.

Dr. Laubach thought it might take ten years to make all Egypt literate. If we could make more effective and practical the slogan, "each one teach one," the evangelical community could be made literate within two years.

In conclusion let me give you a picture I cannot forget. The Delta Car stopped in Baltim and was shunted off on a side track. Among the children who hurried to see what had arrived, was a little black girl who jumped up on the step, and quick as a flash climbed up the rod by the door to peek in at the window. We spoke to her, asking where she lived and she invited us to her house. On a previous visit we had become acquainted with a friendly Sudanese family. The wife and the oldest daughter had been pupils in our mission school in Khartoum North and I supposed this was the same family. When we called at the house we found people we had never seen before. The father is a Nuer and the mother a Shilluk. In childhood each had left the tribe in the South Sudan and been taken to Omdurman. There they became Muslims. Not only did that black man feel sorry for his fathers and all their tribe who know not God, but also for us who know God only as revealed through Jesus Christ and have never been truly enlightened because we have not accepted the last revelation which came through the prophet.

Egyptian Farmers

We Plan For The New Day In India

By DR. AND MRS. JAMES B. CUMMINGS, On Furlough, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania

EVERYONE likes to see a good venture succeed. India has had a little over a year of independence. An Indian Governor General now lives in the viceroy's mansion, and over it waves a green, white and saffron striped flag instead of the Union Jack. Lord Mountbatten retired in a blaze of glory, and largely because of his friendly, winsome personality, and that of his wife, almost all bitterness was forgotten and Britain and India are friends.

Plans of Government Leaders

Are these Indian leaders proving able to rule their country? Well —they have greatly reduced their own salaries and of all highly paid officials. Isn't that proof of their love of country and concern for the public good?

And what public schemes does India have? Read the report sent out by the Indian embassy in Washington and it looks like advance all along the line: free compulsory education in a land of 87% illiteracy, new primary schools in just one province at the rate of 4,400 in two years, increase of the education budget five times, expansion of telegraph and telephone services, six big water-power projects already started to increase light and irrigation, and the reclamation of thousands of acres of jungle with tractors ploughing it into fields. India plans to feed herself. There is doubtless corruption, but there has been for many years.

As Indians have come into power, they have consistently introduced prohibition. Quoted from a bulletin of Government of India Information Service of September 8: "The prohibition policy of the United Province Government led to a saving of nearly $9,000,000 on liquor and wines. The introduction of prohibition in the industrial town of Kanpur last April is expected to lead to a savings of $4,500,000. The health of the people is already reported to have improved."

As long as Pandit Nehru is Prime Minister, the government will carry out its promise to guarantee religious freedom. He is a man of great integrity. Out of his cabinet of 16 members, two are Muslim and two are Christian. Dr. John Matthai is minister of railways and transport, Lady Amrit Kaur is minister of health. The governor of Bombay, appointed by this cabinet is a fine Christian gentleman. Some of the top-ranking army officers are also Christians. The brother of Miss Mangat Rai, who visited America last year on furlough from her position as principal of Kinnaird college, is a Brigadier-General.

Effect on Christians

This does not mean to imply that Christians will have an easy time. It is never easy to be a Christian, and especially so in a non-Christian country. But our observation has been that true character and ability are respected, and especially at a time when leaders who can be trusted, are in great demand.

Now, in view of the above hopeful picture of India, some may be surprised to learn that the proposal to cut off that part of our Mission which is still in India from the main part in Pakistan is being seriously considered. The chief reason is the bitterness that exists between the non-Christian people of India and

those of Pakistan, especially those living on the border. This is so great that any person or organization which has friendly dealings with people in the other dominion are regarded with suspicion and ill will. This condition has largely grown out of the riots in which from a half million to a million people were killed, often with cruel torture, and tens of thousands of women were abducted. In many cases relatives escaped to inflame feelings with accounts of the savage things done by the other side. Then the struggle for possession of Kashmir has kept alive and even intensified this bitterness and the refusal of the Nizam of Hyderabad to accede to India and the consequent riots have further contributed to it.

The result is that the people on either side of the border do not want to see any sort of regular communication between their dominion and the other. Consequently, today there is no train service connecting India and Pakistan; nor is there any bus service. Only by securing a permit from the Liaison Officer can one get a seat in the very limited transport service maintained by him. But, when that has been obtained, there is still another difficult hurdle to cross—the customs. The customs on the side from which the passenger is to leave will refuse to allow anything of value to go across, lest the other dominion benefit! The last we heard, our missionaries were allowed to take not more than twenty pounds of personal effects. Banking relations have come to such a pass that it is almost impossible to cash a check on a bank of one dominion in the other. The most striking example of how this affects mission work is the John & Jane Denham Memorial School at Pathankot. There, due to the difficulty of communications and the suspicion attaching to anyone crossing the border, nine-tenths of our pupils did not come from Pakistan and the Christian community's plea for similar educational facilities in Pakistan led to the opening of special classes in Sialkot.

Plans of Mission Leaders

Nevertheless, we continue to hope and pray that we United Presbyterians in India may remain united as one mission with our brothers and sisters in Pakistan. One of our main reasons is that we believe this part of our Mission has a great future, due to the liberal and enterprising spirit shown by the present Indian government as explained in detail in the first part of this article. Then there is the promising work that has been carried on among the members of the Weaver Caste for many years. Also, another big reason is that we in India love our brothers and sisters in Christ who live in Pakistan. Our Mission was founded in Pakistan; Kanaya and Ditt, founders of the U. P. Synod Mass Movement, were born in Pakistan and six of our Punjab Synod's presbyteries and 95% of our church members are there. Moreover we need their sympathy and support, their love and guidance. In fact, without them we should feel like orphans. There would be another advantage—the wasteful reduplication of a separate Mission organization could be avoided and it might well be that we could make a material contribution toward restoring good relations between the two dominions.

What of the Future?

How will this matter then be decided? Much will depend on how speedily and effectively India and Pakistan can return to a friendly footing. Recent news gives good reason to hope that the vexed question of the relation of the Nizam of Hyderabad to the Indian Government will be speedily solved. But the fighting in Kashmir drags on and

the United Nations Commission apparently is making little headway in bringing about a settlement. So long as there is suspicion and hostility, instead of efforts to make communications between the two dominions easier, there will be the determination to make them more difficult and to be hard on those, Christians included, who try to maintain friendly relations with people in the other dominion.

Humanly speaking, the prospect is not bright. Yet, no one can restrain God's sovereign purposes. If it is His will that we in India remain as one Mission with those in Pakistan, that and nothing else will be the outcome. Our part is to be faithful in the tasks committed to us, especially in prayer and trust. The rest we can leave thankfully in His hands, who is able to do abundantly above all that we may ask or think; and to His name be all the glory through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

For up-to-date information from the Indian point of view, bulletins may be received free from: Government of India Information Service, 2111 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington 8, D.C.

Two papers printed in India are very fine: The Guardian, 8 Beracah Road, Kilpauk, Madras. This is a weekly Christian Journal, $3.50 a year.

A monthly paper at $2.00 a year is—The National Christian Council Review, Mysore City, India.

Their American agents are: International Missionary Council, 156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

A SUGGESTION FOR THE DECEMBER PROGRAM

Why not take a Christmas-trip vision of our Outreach in Foreign Missions?

What an opportunity to study our own work, looking at all of it briefly as one would do from an airplane, sweeping low over the portions of earth's surface and the multitudes of people He has committed to the outreach of our denomination! Maps, pictures of missions and missionaries will enrich the program.

Visualize yourself and your society expanding the Christian witness with Miss Wright in Egypt; sit down with Dr. and Mrs. Cummings and Miss Boyd to solve the problems involved in planning for the new day in India and Pakistan; visit the Adairs in their pioneer home at Wanglel, meeting Nuers who are hearing the Gospel for the first time; join with Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Pollock in Ethiopia in their caravan experiences.

Or listen quietly to the reverie of Miss Laura B. Walker; anticipate the joys and surprises awaiting the Philips family as new appointees; or meet the interesting girls at Luxor.

Besides, you may spend a busy Monday with Miss Coie . . . Or you may try to "think the thoughts" of our Foreign Mission Board and of Mrs. McBride as she directs for us the W.G.M.S. foreign work. Read the whole *Magazine*, then *select* that which you yearn most to see on your *imaginary Christmas trip* into these interesting lands.

Of course do not forget to sing His praises for what He has wrought through our denomination with our excellent Board of Foreign Missions and W.G.M.S. Foreign Department, nor to bow reverent heads in Thanksgiving for these opportunities, looking unto Him for guidance in the future.

The Christmas Pageant, "Joy to the World" by Mrs. Walter G. Comin (Page 174) may be used by older as well as by teen-age groups. For program-enriching supplementary leaflets and stories consult the Literature Department (Page 188).

Another Glance At India and Pakistan

By MISS M. LOIS BOYD, Missionary On Furlough, Sparta, Illinois

CONDITIONS in India and Pakistan have been changing so fast and so radically that it has been practically impossible to plan ahead. Since August 15, 1947 we have been living a day at a time, trying to meet the urgent needs of the moment and praying for light on a very dark road.

Christian Cooperation

When the clouds of chaos had lifted somewhat and trains were running again occasionally, missionaries and Christian leaders of the Punjab gathered in Lahore for prayer and conference. That was a large and representative meeting, including a bishop of the Methodist church, an Indian bishop of the Church of England and Dr. J. L. Dodds, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

In the minds of all was a profound sense of God's protection of His people through the dark days of slaughter and a new realization of His purpose "to make known through the Church the manifold wisdom of God according to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord." With this realization there was a willingness, rather, a deep desire to unite our hearts and our efforts to accomplish in the Punjab the work which God wants done just now. I remember Bishop Pickett's remark that the Conference could easily become significant, a momentous turning point in the history of mission work.

Medical Centers and Hospitals

As a result of that Conference, United Boards were set up, one for the West Punjab and another for the East. Today the Christian Medical Center in Lahore is functioning as the first fruit of this united effort. Lahore is the capital of the West Punjab and a strategic center for Christian influence. Doctors and nurses who came to Pakistan at the call of need from millions of refugees have made it possible to open this medical center at once. The tremendous need and great opportunity for continued service are making a deep appeal to these young doctors and nurses and some have decided to stay and others to return for regular missionary appointment.

Mrs. M. Lois Boyd

If Pakistan and India remain as two independent nations, hostile and antagonistic, we may be compelled to train all our medical workers in Pakistan in this Lahore Medical Center. The ministry of our mission hospitals to the people of the Punjab has been one of our greatest contributions and I feel sure that this service will be allowed to continue

for many years. As someone has remarked, "The medical line will survive a lot of animosity." It behooves us, then, as a Church to so plan that we may keep that service at a very high level and to the glory of Christ "who came not to be ministered unto but to minister."

The Punjab Church

Our church in the Punjab has weathered the storms of the last year and in most places has been strengthened in faith and experience. One village Christian said, "We are not the same people we were before. We've slept long enough—now we are awake." For some time there has been a plan to pass over to the church the authority and responsibility which the mission has exercised throughout the years—to make the missionaries in reality what they desire to be, helpers and fellow workers and not masters in any sense. The setting up of an administrative Board and new machinery for carrying on the work so that nothing will be neglected is a difficult task. There are delicate situations which require much tact and patience as well as skill. The tragic disturbances of the past year have made it impossible to get ahead with these plans. The regular meeting of the Synod could not be held and the annual meeting of the Mission had to be cancelled also. It is hoped that at the October meeting this year some forward steps will be taken and that the plan to make all the work of the mission center in the Punjab church will be realized.

Adult Literacy

When I remind you that only 20% of the church people are at present literate you will realize better the difficulties involved in providing strong leadership for the Christian forces. There is just now an upsurge of effort for adult literacy due to the fact that many people are idle. Unemployment came with the great exchange of population. Our relief committees have been willing to employ any capable person to help in this urgent work. The simplest and most ignorant Christian parents realize that in these days of widespread unemployment only those sons and daughters are earning who were educated and ready to step into vacancies left by the Hindus. Schools are full to overflowing and there are hundreds of Christian boys and girls for whom there is no school available.

Plans for Schools

At a meeting of the Punjab Committee for Literacy we were discussing plans for Christian education in view of the new governments which were to be set up. One Indian leader, a pastor, said, "There should be a little school in every pastor's house and wherever else possible now, when there are no restrictions on Christian teaching." An effort has been made but only a few schools could be started. Even now the Mission is asking the Rural Education Committee to reduce the budget by $3000. Inflation has come to the Punjab too, and though our best village teachers receive less than $30 a month we cannot carry on our program for rural education on our present budget, much less forge ahead.

The biggest snag in our plans for girls' education is the fact that our only high school for girls is in India at Pathankot, while most of our Christian girls are living in Pakistan. High school classes have been temporarily set up in our Girls' Boarding School in Sialkot and special preparatory classes in Sangla Hill. We may have to mark time in this way for another year until it is more certain that the two dominions will remain. If the present conditions persist then some plan for a new mission high school for girls in Pakistan will have to be worked out.

THE CALL TO ADVANCE

Our church in the Punjab of 47,000 members ministers among seven million people. Any forward planning would be blind which did not take into account this mighty challenge to faith and effort. It was heartening to see that the latest plan for the location of missionaries proposed one missionary family as evangelists in each of the three large districts in the north where for many years, due to decreased personnel, we have not been able to place missionaries. In these areas there are very few native Christians. Our new missionary recruits are coming to Pakistan with a yearning to be used of God to bring the light of Jesus Christ to this great Muslim people. And from the native sons of India God is calling men to witness for Him.

At a recent prayer retreat I met the newly-appointed Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Pakistan. He is a convert from Hinduism, "a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit." When I heard him speak I was reminded of the poet's words,

> "I saw a human life
> Ablaze with God—
> I felt a power divine
> As through a vessel of frail clay
> I saw God's glory shine."

During the months he served in Muslim refugee camps he was able to bring 200 Muslims to Christ. He is one among a thousand. But this is the answer to the challenge of Islam: the Christian sons and daughters of Pakistan on fire for Christ, His witnesses and messengers to the lost and wandering children of Abraham, who was called the friend of God.

Audio-visual aids and loud speakers are fine, but no mechanical appliances are substitutes for heralds of the cross. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers unto His harvest."

THANKSGIVING HOUR

What thanks can we offer?

For a year towered with labor,
Perhaps not the type we planned,
With the strength for its fulfillment;
For the age-old wise command
To do to others gently;
For the new friends and the old;
Sharing food and warmth and shelter,
For all love whose bonds will hold;
For warm courtesies, for triumphs,
For deep sorrow and for gain:
Since each is necessary
In the aftermath of pain.

—Nellie Baldwin Rudser

(Mrs. Rudser, a member of the Mission Avenue (4th U. P. Church) Missionary Society, Spokane, Washington, is the poet laureate of the state of Washington and the author of several volumes of poetry.)

The Sudan Border

By DR. AND MRS. W. J. ADAIR, Wanglel, via Malakal, South Sudan

(Excerpts from letters sent to America and from Mrs. Adair's Diary.)

WE arrived in Wanglel from Akobo on December 19, 1947 to work again among the Nuers. Beginning in this new station reminds us of 1920 when we began our work among the Nuers at Nasir, although Wanglel is more isolated and primitive, with wooded and grassed surroundings, the narrow swift Zeraf river and wild animals at our door.

Our nearest post office and telegraph office is at Malakal which is 75 miles from here by river. During the dry season from December through April the roads are fairly good. There is a road to Fangak, the capital of the District, and from there roads radiate in every direction into the Nuer country, and there is also a direct road past Doleib Hill to Malakal. These roads are for government administration but are likewise open to us and can be great help in mission work.

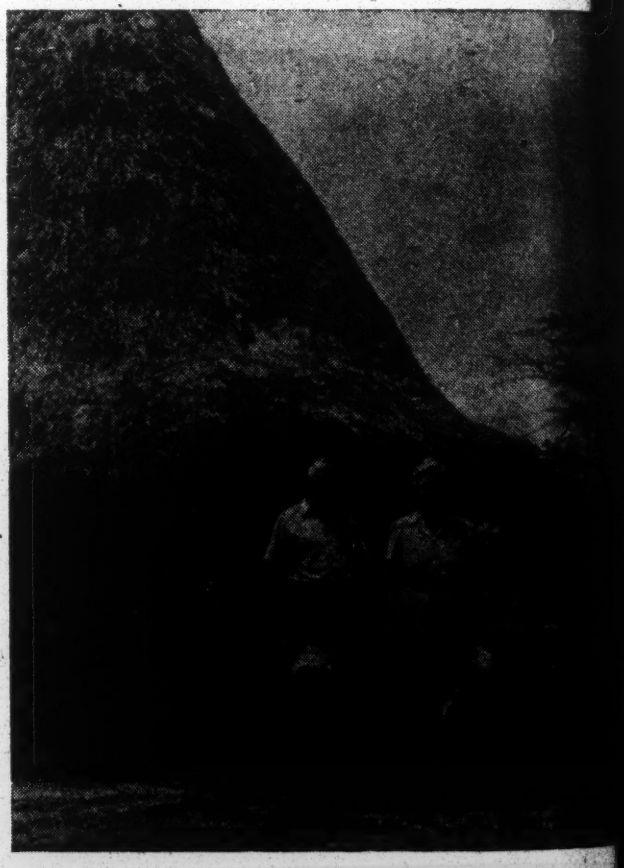
Historic Meetings

February, 1948 was a very historic month in our Southern Sudan Mission because of three important meetings.

From February 6 to 11 was the fourth meeting of the Southern Sudan Protestant Council but the first meeting at which members of the indigenous churches which have been established among the various tribes sat on an equal footing with the representatives of the different missionary organizations. High points in the Council meeting were the times of intercession when the official English language was dropped and the tribal delegates prayed in their own different languages.

February 13 to 15 marked the organization of the new Southern Sudan Presbytery as separate from the North Sudan. The meeting was held at Doleib Hill and the membership of the Presbytery included missionaries, one ordained evangelist and elders from Nasir and Doleib Hill churches.

The meeting of our Sudan Association at Khartoum was from February 23 to 27. Of special importance was the action taken to divide the Sudan into two Missions—the American Mission, North Sudan, and the American Mission, South Sudan. The rapid growth of the mission in the South has made this change necessary. It will be an economy and many more of our missionaries will be able to attend yearly meetings. Another



Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Adair standing by their temporary house at Wanglel on the Zeraf River

reason for the change is that the work in the North is among Arabic-speaking people, while in the South, our work is all among the pagan tribes.

August Diary Excerpts

August 1. Michael Char Kuoth preached a fine sermon in our Nuer church service today. He used the parable of the Good Samaritan, applying it especially to himself and other Nuer Christians, educated and uneducated. He said, "We must not be selfish or indifferent to the needs of our own people like the priest and Levite were. Rather we must be helpful to those who need us whenever and wherever we find them. A foreigner need not do what we now know to do ourselves: to live the gospel as Christ taught it."

Michael Char is spending a mid-term vacation with us. We Adairs have been supporting him in the C.M.S. Intermediate School at Loka, near Juba, for four years. He will complete this Intermediate course in December and is looking forward to being a partner with us. He and his wife and two children will be living here.

August 3. Two other promising young Christian leaders came in with Char this evening to listen to the radio and talk over world affairs. They have also felt the challenge of this new station and have come to work with us. James Gatluak Kuny is "tops" in this province in educational work. He is the first Nuer to have gone to college, a mission school in Uganda, and to secure a Primary Teacher's Certificate. He was offered larger and better positions but chose to work with us in our mission educational program. Not only is he an excellent teacher but he knows his Bible well and is especially talented in teaching music.

The other young man, Peter Keak Biel, has completed the government medical course at Juba. He will work with Dr. Robert Gordon. He is to specialize in laboratory and will be a fine supplement to the two locally trained Christian male nurses. There is a great opportunity for medical work in this area. We have known these men since they entered our school as boys at Nasir.

August 9. The Province steamer, today, brought two others of our former boys for a twenty-four hour visit—David Cuol Sotper, a brilliant lad and fine Christian, and Joshua Thilik Pec. Both are Gaajak Nuers from near the Ethiopian border, attending the government Intermediate and Secondary School at Atar.

August 10. The assistant teacher of our boys' school, Peter Wal, rescued a gazelle from the embrace of a python this afternoon. He heard its cry of distress and rushed across the river in a canoe. It was a daring thing to do, for Peter himself might have been hugged to death by the big snake. The gazelle died and Peter brought the meat home.

August 16. Plenty of vegetables from our garden. We are setting out many fruit trees and banana plants. There is plenty of room for expansion here. . . . We look forward to the coming of Ted Pollock and the other builders this coming dry season for the erection of new permanent buildings.

August 18. God was good to one of our workmen today. He jabbed his spear into something wriggling in the swampy grass expecting to bring out a fish. It proved to be a very poisonous snake which struck viciously at him but though his finger was torn, the poisonous fangs must have missed him. At the workers' prayer meeting the next morning Mr. Adair took the opportunity to emphasize God's merciful, protecting care.

August 21. The steamer left a welcome box today which came from the U.S.A. It contained an assortment of tools, much needed in repair jobs.

August 22. The opening of the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam today interests us in Africa.

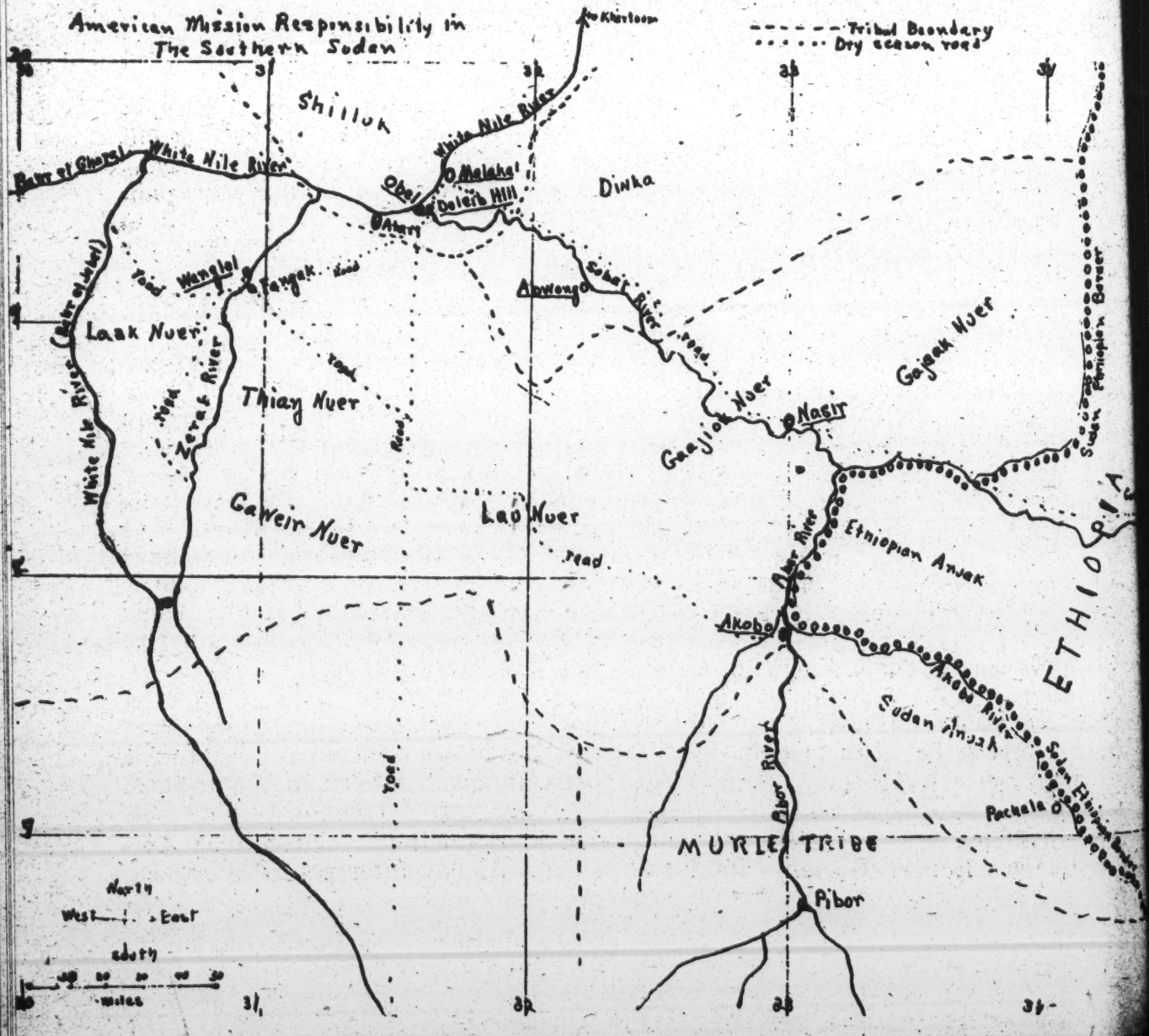
August 24. My husband is off on a business trip to Doleib Hill. The Gordons are liking it here and are feeling the challenge and the opportunities of this new station.

August 27. My daily women's meeting seems so worthwhile. I use Bible Picture rolls and the flannel board in teaching Bible lessons. I go into the homes regularly too. They are much more interested than when we first arrived last December.

August 29. The regular service at 8:30 a.m. Evening vesper service at 4:30 p.m., at which a flannelgraph study of *Pilgrim's Progress* is being used. A Sabbath School for school boys and other children at 3:00 p.m. is popular because there are booklets to go with the lesson in which pictures are to be colored.

August 30. The Christian Youth Conference of North America begins at Grand Rapids today. What a world-wide movement this is, helping to meet the needs of these sober times in which we live. Youth with faith, vision, training and enthusiasm is needed everywhere for the work of the Kingdom. This is truly a young peoples' station. Our leaders and employees are only in their twenties and thirties. Many are as yet unmarried. Only one young wife is a Christian. In her home we have our morning Bible lesson. Our opportunity lies in teaching them and winning them for Christ and in training them for Christian service.

August 31. Today I bought nine wild goose eggs from a boy who had found a nest near a stream where many wild geese feed. These are better than no eggs. "The egg and I"



is a vital matter in our two households here. We may have to go into the chicken business ourselves. I do not like that line of effort for the initial expense for equipment is too great for the modest results. However, eventually the quality and quantity of our egg supply is improved. Dr. J. Kelly Giffen said that he could follow the advance of the United Presbyterian Mission up the Nile and Sobat by the Rhode Island Red Chickens which early missionaries had brought with them and had shared with Arabs, police, Shilluks, Dinkas and Nuers.

Wanglel is to be a big central station serving a large area and needs an agricultural-industrial missionary. There is only one as yet, Charles Jordan, and he cannot be in three stations at one time. There is only one Nuer, Pel Deng, who has had a good course in agriculture and horticulture and he is still at Nasir.

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And so another month is ended. Although the place is quite primitive and isolated we have few dull moments and the time goes swiftly. Please continue to remember this new station in your prayers.

September 8 (Added by Rev. W. J. Adair). I arrived home today from the executive committee meeting at Doleib Hill. Getting our Southern Sudan group of stations organized as a separate Mission takes a lot of work and planning. With new work beginning at Malakal, Abwong, Wanglel, the Teachers' Training School at Obel, and among the Anuaks, the problems of staff, buildings, finance and mission policy are tremendous. We have, however, good reason for encouragement. There is already the fine group of consecrated new missionaries. Then there is the ever-increasing number of trained native Christian leaders coming forward to work with us. Then, too, we are laborers together with Him who is the Lord of the harvest and whose Spirit is already manifesting His power in the hearts of our people. And, finally, we have the faith to believe that you in America are holding us up in your prayers and will make sure that the necessary funds and recruits for our staff will not be lacking.

ADVANCE, O CHURCH OF GOD

Advance, O Church of God, advance!
Your banner be unfurled;
A higher sovereignty united
The Kingdoms of this world, The Kingdoms of this world.

Advance, O Church of God, advance!
One World can never be
Until mankind, in search for truth,
Learns only love sets free, Learns only love sets free.

Advance, O Church of God, advance!
We dare not longer wait
To share our Christ with all the world
It is already late! It is already late!

The times in which our lives are lived
Are as a chastening rod.
The world, confused and changing, calls:
Advance, O Church of God! Advance, O Church of God!

—*Garland Evans Hopkins*

We Go West In Ethiopia

By MRS. FRED L. RUSSELL, Maji, via Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

(Pioneering experiences, May and June, 1948, from a circle letter written to friends in America. Because of the insight it gives into "Going West in Ethiopia" it is valuable for this study-program material. See also Mrs. Nessie F. Pollock's version of this trip on page 27 of the September Magazine.)

MAJI is 525 miles from Addis Ababa. The first 225 miles are surfaced with gravel and we did them in two easy days. The next 80 miles to Bonga we traveled in one day, leaving much of our goods there with the Sudan Interior Mission. Those were our last white friends. The remaining 200 miles took just seven weeks! Three of them were spent in three Goverment rest houses, waiting for a few days' respite of rain.

The Missionary Caravan

Our Caravan consisted of Mrs. Pollock's yellow jeep, the old red Studebaker truck and the 1½ ton Chevrolet four-wheel-drive truck which carried us from Seattle to New York in February, 1936. Both trucks were overloaded, gasoline for all three machines for 1000 miles, round trip, being the big burden. No gas is procurable out of Addis Ababa and is closely rationed there. Clinic equipment, building material and household materials were cut to the limit, and then much of that left at Bonga had to be brought after the rains.

Mrs. Pollock and I drove the jeep, heading the caravan. Next came the Studebaker, then the Chevrolet. The jeep and Chevrolet have four-wheel drive and could go in all the impossible places, but the rear-wheel drive on the Studebaker often left it helpless when one wheel was through a bridge or both rear wheels in the mud to the axle. Then the jeep proved its merit. With a pull on the tow rope, up and out would come the big truck. Delays too numerous to detail and labors too arduous to imagine, for you who are used to good roads, made the journey very hard. In the first 28 miles after leaving Bonga the men mended or rebuilt 16 bridges, some at the cost of six hours' work cutting trees for new timbers. Everything had to be carried so many times we almost wished we could go like the natives with a blanket and a bag of parched grain!

A Road in Ethiopia

Cooking Experiences

Sometimes we were discouraged. One day when both trucks were bogged in a corduroy road through a swamp Nessie and I decided we would make a supply of camp biscuit for we always seemed to be out of bread. Baking over a camp fire with wet wood is not easy; with a drizzle it is really bad! The drizzle turned into a downpour and filled the skillets with water while the poor bannocks soggily sizzled in the midst. Twice we rebuilt the fire, only to have a fresh deluge put it out and drown the biscuits. After hours of hard work the men ate them all for supper, even remarking "The bannocks are quite up to par, aren't they?"

Beautiful Scenery

Next day the sun shone, the trucks were out of the morass and we were on our upward way through the most beautiful forest one could im-

agine on a road over 11,000 feet high down to low river valleys. Then we would wonder why we should be despondent or tired and realize that people would pay large sums to have such adventure as was handed out to us—driving a jeep through parts of Africa where no white woman has been seen before.

Such tropical vegetation I had never seen before in Ethiopia. It seemed that every kind of tree, shrub, vine and flower grew in the same place, a veritable jungle into which one could not even peer at the monkeys we could hear chattering near by. Giant trees, broad squat wild date palms, tree ferns, rubber vines and a countless variety of lovely little flowers from tiny blue forget-me-nots and violets to tall scarlet lilies, and everywhere orchids of breath-taking beauty in many colors.

Often the beauty was lost in the need to watch for the track in the high grass that had grown up since the rains. The descents into the river valley were the most strain in driving. One river was preceded by eight miles of steep grade down a watercourse with stones like steps, some so big we had to drive on them. Two of the rivers we had to ford flooded the body of the jeep but never once did it hesitate to bravely move forward.

Rains

Rains were heavier and mud worse. We decided to leave the Studebaker at Bachuma—a border of Maji—and proceed with the Chevrolet and jeep when only six miles short, on an impossible rocky hill, the faithful Chevrolet broke a rear axle. Alas, it was *not* the one for which we had the spare! The men ingeniously adapted the spare Studebaker axle for use, and the Chevrolet moved slowly into Bachuma with only the four steel barrels of gas. Carriers were found to carry in the load and most of the Studebaker load. We were at the

Another Ethiopian Road Scene

end of our abilities—the Chevrolet which we had counted on taking us all the way was entirely out of the running until a new part could be obtained (none in Addis or even Egypt) or made. It seemed we were at our journey's end—only 70 miles from Maji town and just in the border of Maji province. Having committed all to the Lord and realizing we were helpless in our own strength, He began to show us His ways.

Help from the Governor

Previously we had sent word to Otto Tadessa, now acting as Governor of Maji, a former Gorei school boy, that we were enroute. Passing soldiers later took him word of our difficulties, and he sent a "Captain of a thousand" to furnish us carriers and help. Because we were longer delayed Tadessa himself came to Bachuma. He was the magic that brought us the rest of the way. Carriers were brought to carry *all* the goods, bridges were built, roads cleared of grass, and our 70 miles in Maji province were like a triumphal entry. All this and not one cent could we pay. It was done for us in return for the good that Tadessa had received at the mission so many years ago.

Even the rains stopped! We were rebuked for our little faith, for five successive sunny days followed and our goods came, safe and dry to Maji.

We were received into the compound and guest houses of the absent Governor with the doors all garlanded with lilies, iris and Easter

lilies, with which the streets of Maji are bordered, and every kindness was shown us. A good road had been cut out the mile to the property previously discussed as the site for the mission. As soon as he heard we were coming he began to gather the wood (poles) for building and all hands have been turned to help. This has resulted in phenomenal speed (for Africa) of putting up the clinic, a workshop, two houses and kitchen and storerooms. All are built in native style, large and round with a thatched grass roof, with the addition of windows unknown to native buildings. Tadessa even had two bath tubs for us!

At Home in Maji

The mission hill is beautiful, overlooking a valley at least 2000 feet lower and across to ranges of hills far beyond. Clouds roll across below while the sun shines on the hills and the ever-changing colors are delightful. Maji is 7500 feet altitude. The rains are more equally distributed over the whole year than in Addis Ababa and it is possible to grow three crops of grain yearly. Fresh corn and tomatoes are in the market all year around.

We are eager to get into our own houses but we are most thankful for these comfortable quarters. It is amazing how we get along with no conveniences, yet seem to live in luxury compared to the people about us! How clean one can feel with baths in a tin tub and unironed clothes fresh from the sunshine! We no longer have to make camp biscuit. After weeks of c a m p i n g, how very good our whole-wheat bread tastes, made on our good little Swedish stove. Yet we never went hungry in all the seven weeks and at many places were able to replenish our supplies of coffee, salt, onions, dried peas, wheat for porridge, honey, etc., besides being able to purchase eggs and meat, green corn, kale and bananas at most camps. We still eat from enamel plates and drink from cups of the same ware and will until we get our dishes from Bonga. It is amazing how few things are actually essentials, but I can understand how our pioneer mothers felt as, one by one, they had to abandon the things they were hauling West as the oxen tired and the loads had to be lightened.

The People

In the last 100 miles we passed through five distant tribes with separate languages and we gaze across these valleys peopled by seven more tribes between us and the Sudan border and to Lake Rudolph and Kenya! What a challenge—not one of these tribes has a Gospel witness in its midst nor the Bible in any language its people can understand.

The Maji tribe is estimated at 50,000 to 60,000. Only since 1941 has there been any attention paid to them by the government. A few schools are in the province but since clothing is required by all attending there are few Maji boys in school. Only recently has there been any compulsion regarding clothes, but this Governor had the soldiers whip all coming to the market naked. Now all have at least the required loin cloth. Many have suits.

Thanksgiving to God

"We went t h r o u g h fire and through water but Thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place." (Psa. 66:12)

You can scarcely realize what it means to have the Director General, acting Governor, as interpreter at Evangelical Christian services. Truly one sows and another reaps! How little the workers in Gorei in 1930 knew that Tadessa would be helping the mission to become established in Maji in 1948.

Worship Service

THEME: THE ABUNDANT LIFE

"I am come that they might have life . . . . more abundantly."

By MRS. THOMAS R. SARVER, Wheeling, West Virginia

THE JOYFUL LIFE

INTRODUCTION: Read the first two verses of "Joy to the World"

BIBLE SONGS HYMNAL: No. 191

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2:1-12

LEADER: The Christmas story, so familiar to each of us, still fills us with joy, hope, and wonder. The birth of the Babe of Bethlehem awes us with its supernatural glory, its fathomless love. God loved us so much that He sent His own dear Son to live among men in order to reveal the Father to them and to make the atonement for their sins. The Christ Child was the first Christmas gift. He brought many gifts in His hands for those who would accept them. He came bearing God's love, sustaining love that sees us through each moment of each day. He brought forgiveness of sins, eternal life, salvation which He gives freely to all who will in faith receive Him. He brought a new glory to womanhood, raised life to a new high plane for mankind, and we who have become children of God should never cease to render loving service to Him for all He has given us. Christ brought new meaning to childhood. He restored laughter, love and happiness to His little ones. He exchanged peace for strife, love for hatred, light for darkness, joy for sorrow. The angel made the glorious announcement that he came with good tidings of great joy. The wisemen rejoiced with exceeding joy when the star led them to the Christ Child. Just so, we rejoice and are filled with deep joy when we are led to the Saviour. Christ has promised great joy in the abundant life He came to give His friends. In God's Word, over and over again, mention is made of the joy of the believer. Joy is one of the cluster that makes up the fruit of the Spirit. Joy in moderate measure is called gladness; raised to the highest degree, it is exultation. Joy in its various forms might also be called contentment, satisfaction, happiness, cheerfulness. This spiritual joy is *permanent* — "Your joy no man taketh from you." "Everlasting joy upon their heads." It is *beyond description*—"Ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." It is *free*—"Ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full." It is *sustaining*—"The joy of the Lord is your strength." It is also *of Christ*—"These things have I spoken unto you that *my* joy might remain in you." We can easily see that the keynote of Christmas is joy undergirded with love. The joy of the season spills over and is appropriated by our non-Christian neighbors. However, no one has as much true joy in this life as has the Christian. Therefore, we should let it shine out of our lives with such a glow that it would draw others to the Christ who is the powerhouse and source of all our joy. At this Christmas season, let us recall that the angel told the shepherds that the good tidings of great joy are for *all* people. We cannot enjoy to the full the gifts the Christ Child brought unless we know we are doing all in our power to spread the Good News to those who know Him not. Let us give rich gifts this happy season, first of all laying the gift of our lives on the altar of Christian service.

PRAYER: "O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray; cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell, O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel." Amen.

Prayer Group Department

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SPECIAL OBJECTS FOR PRAYER

Pray for the deeper consecration of the women of the United Presbyterian Church.

Pray for the work among the American Indians.

Pray for the new workers at Simnasho, Oregon, Mr. and Mrs. Fermer E. Plank; that they may be guided and directed as they are about to begin their new work. Pray that the Rev. John Wilson may be restored to health and strength, and that both Rev. and Mrs. Wilson may enjoy a much needed rest.

Pray that Pearl Bear may be given courage and direction as she launches her religious education program at Wheelock Academy, Millerton, Oklahoma.

Pray earnestly that a missionary may be secured for that most promising field of service—the Cherokee Mission.

Pray for our Foreign Work. Pray for travellers on land and sea; also for the new short-term appointees that they will make a splendid contribution to the work of the Egyptian Mission to which they all go.

Pray for the boarding school to be started by Miss Ruth M. Nichol in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and for another teacher for the school. (Miss Ruth Nichol's article, page 185)

Pray for the new Bible Classes in Sayo, that from it may come Bible women. (Miss Hazel McGeary's article, page 186)

Pray for the Work among the Mountain People.

Pray for Miss Margaret Buren, as she takes up her new work as business manager for the Jane Cook Hospital at Frenchburg.

Pray for our City and Presbyterial Missionaries.

Pray that a new missionary may by secured soon to continue the work at Westland, Pa.

Pray for the Negro children who attended the Vacation Bible Schools at Camden and Canton Bend, Alabama this summer. (See p. 181).

The attention of all Prayer Group Secretaries is called to the announcement that it is no longer necessary to differentiate between Prayer Groups and Prayer Circles. All are to be called Prayer Groups.

Echoes Of Service In Egypt

By MISS LAURA B. WALKER

ON Friday, September 13, 1904 our boat sailed from New York for Egypt. We were delayed a week, then sailed for Port Said, Egypt. In Naples we met our India party and had good fellowship with those missionaries as far as Port Said. After a visit in Zagazig with the Hart family we left for other points. Dr. Anna Watson took me with her to visit Tanta Hospital. I had the rare experience of seeing her Egyptian friends kissing her on both cheeks!

Cairo was my destination and I was to be associated with Anna Y. Thompson and teach English in the Faggala School. But studying Arabic was my big job, and what a task it proved! The second year I was loaned to help Miss Adelle McMillan as she was carrying the work of Tanta City as well as in Benha. The weeks lengthened to eleven. On returning to Cairo Miss Thompson asked me to sponsor a small Sabbath School in a cellar in the Shoubra District where she worked among women. It was my privilege to work there three years. The splendid First Church in Shoubra, Cairo, may be attributed largely to Miss Thompson's efforts.

After four years the Association of our Mission assigned me to superintend a small day school and the Bible work in the Abdin District. In a Muslim home I visited, the lady of the house asked: "How is Sitta Johnston?" Miss Johnston had been Mrs. Robert Stewart in India for 25 years. Another surprise was that this woman had a New Testament.

In 1911 I was given an added assignment as no one could be found to act as Superintendent while Miss Margaret Smith went home for furlough. It proved a hard job but I will always have a deeper interest in those girls who are now mothers, Bible teachers and nurses.

In 1913 I was sent to Alexandria to superintend the Central Girls' School. English, Arabic and French were taught. A good kindergarten had also been started several years before World War I broke out. Some of us helped in the Scotch Tea Room

Miss Laura B. Walker

and the Y.M.C.A. at night, and we tried to give a bit of cheer to a few British soldiers in our home. In 1918 Miss Elsie French arrived to take over and at the next meeting of Association I was sent to Luxor for evangelistic work. Mrs. Hart had the District from Assuan to Tanta, about 313 miles. She and Dr. Hart did valiant work as the S.S. WITNESS plied up and down the Nile. When they went on furlough, this work became mine.

It was a joy to visit in the homes

of different towns and villages. To go to Akhmeem one traveled five hours north to Sohag, then crossed the Nile and, as Mr. Henderson put it, rode in a "horseless car" to Akhmeem. The minister's home afforded us most hospitable headquarters. This town is noted for its handweaving, an art at least one hundred years old. One interesting thing was that so many of the church women could read in this village of at least 40,000. The church too *had a bell* donated by the father of "Mother of Tadros," the minister's wife. Few had clocks in their homes. When our sail boat, "Witness" was tied up at Sohag, what a rest it was to come home to it after a time of visiting homes!

From Luxor, near villages were reached by donkey, later by carriages. Dr. and Mrs. Hart introduced us to a home across the Nile, right up against the hills where ancient temples and tombs were points of interest. A venerable old man reminded one of Abraham. He was the head of a large family. At one time he had hired a seminary student to teach a small school in one of their mud rooms. All the older members of the family could read the Bible. He had been trained to become a Coptic priest but through the influence of Dr. Murch, became a Protestant. From Luxor a walk of fifteen minutes took us to Muslim homes out near the ancient temple of Karnack. At least 17,000 people lived there. One instance of a Bible Woman's work may be cited here: as the teacher sat on the mud floor she took Peter's question (Matthew 18:21), "How oft shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Until seventy times seven?" The teacher translated that as four hundred ninety times. The woman of that house exclaimed: "490 times! And I have not forgiven my neighbor once!" She took the teacher by the hand and asked that she go with her to ask forgiveness. This stay in Luxor continued eighteen years. It was a great privilege to be associated with the Jamisons, the J. A. Pollocks, Ida Whiteside, and Esther Wilson who is still carrying on there.

The next assignment was to Mansoura in the Delta in 1937. There we had three Bible teachers in the city and two in the Province. We needed ten! One went weekly to a town where Miss Frances Patton superintended a small girls' day school. This school had to be closed because we could not comply with the Government requirements and that meant *no* Christian School for girls there. Then to Mahalla we traveled by the State Railroad to visit homes. A large cotton mill there employs 28,000 men, women, girls and boys. How great is the need there for someone to work among these poor peasant girls from all over Egypt! To the other town where a Bible teacher lives we traveled on a poky donkey train for three hours until we learned to ride in the rickety old bus (but not in rainy weather lest one be dumped into the canal!) In that town there was a good Evangelical Church and a small school for girls.

One day in Mansoura a Muslima came to ask us to go to a Syrian Catholic home where there was a mourning. She, a Muslima, asked us to go to comfort them! Once when we visited her home she was holding her little grandson who was ill. We prayed for the little one's recovery and our Father answered our petition. She was forever grateful.

In April, 1942, this missionary suddenly returned to the U. S. A., hoping to return to Egypt after a time but this dream was never realized.

A Missionary Appointee's Equipment

By REV. WILLIAM H. PHILIPS, JR.
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PINS, Paint, Pots and Pans, Peculiar and Presumptuous Possessions—all of these come into your mind when you begin to think what is necessary for a missionary to have in preparation for going out to the field for the first time. There are many things which those on the field will tell you to bring, and many which those at home will suggest; but there are some things in common which both suggest. These are important, and we shall consider them very briefly.

The greatest thing necessary to take with you is your *Spiritual Glow!* Without that, all else which you may have, both mental and physical, will be valueless, and just so much excess baggage. The spiritual glow will carry you through the difficult situations, and will make friends for you among those you serve.

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Besides the spiritual glow, there must be, as Dr. Laubach says, a *Color-blindness*—blindness to the fact that those with whom you work are of a different color, and therefore, according to selfish ideas, less worthy than you. Unless you go with the idea of equality of soul and life, then it is better to stay at home.

Then one other requirement which will make these other two far more valuable, is a good *Sense of Humor*. If you can see the funny side of an incident, it will make life far easier than if the drab side of life is always in evidence. A good sense of humor will straighten out and smooth over a great many of the bumps in the road of a missionary life.

The question may be asked, "How does our Board of Foreign Missions prepare you for such a life? How does the Board try to make sure the missionary will have these above qualifications?

These qualifications mentioned must be in evidence in the person before he is selected by the Board, but even with those qualities, there is something more needed, and this the Board seeks to give. There is a great deal to be learned about the people to whom you are going, and among whom you will be living and serving. It is very important that if at all possible, at least a part of

Margaret Ann and Barbara Jean, Daughters of Rev. and Mrs. William H. Philips, Jr. Singing "Happy Birthday" to Grandmother

that be known before you attempt to serve them, or some dire results may be experienced. Threfore our Board of Foreign Missions does its best to take new candidates, and send them to schools which will be helpful in orienting them to their new work. It was our privilege to be sent to the Kennedy School of Missions in Hartford, Connecticut, this past year. It was one of the finest experiences we ever had, and we feel that if at all possible, it is essential that outgoing missionaries have such training. This does not insure a person against making mistakes, but it does help to cut the number greatly so that not so many will be made.

The Kennedy School of Missions is not a theological training institute in any sense of the word. They consider that if you have been appointed by some mission board, your theology must be pretty well formed, or you would not have been chosen. Therefore little time is spent on theological studies.

We studied such things as Phonetics, or the art of how sounds are produced and from what positions of mouth and tongue they come. Other valuable studies included work in the Department of Anthropology, under a world-recognized Physical Anthropologist, Dr. Morris Steggerda; and the Department of Islamics under a renowed scholar in the field of Islamics, Dr. Edwin E. Calverly.

In the Anthropology Department, we studied customs and folklore of the tribesmen with whom we will be working. Such a knowledge is very important so that we shall not over-step tribal customs and thereby make enemies of the people! By knowing their practice and customs, we can speak to them in such a way that we shall make far more advance than otherwise. It is perfectly right that we have faith that the Lord will provide the right word at the right time, but it is also true that if we have not prepared ourselves beforehand, then the Lord will not honor our work with as great success as if we had made ready for our tasks.

In the Department of Islamics, we studied something of Muslim Education and Practice, an introductory course in the understanding of the belief and the practice of that religion. It gave what orthodox Islam believes concerning the prophet, Muhammed, what they believe concerning the after-life, their religious customs, and their taboos.

One of the greatest values which was received from this study in the Kennedy School of Missions, was to find that those from other faiths, or denominations, who were studying to be missionaries, had the same objectives in mind that we did, bringing Christ to those who do not know Him, showing them the freedom from fear that the Gospel of Jesus Christ brings, leading them to the place where real happiness can be obtained through our Lord, and bringing a joyful hope for their after-life through our Matchless Savior.

Dr. Kenneth S. Latourette says, "Never before in the history of the race has any group of ideas, religious, social, economic, or political, been propagated over so wide an area or among so many people by so many who have given their lives to the task."

Luxor School Girls

By MISS MARTHA C. GLASS, Luxor, Egypt

AT 5:45 in the winter and 5:00 in the summer, we are aroused from our sleep by the rising bell, and thirty-seven drowsy children and ten teachers reluctantly leave our comfortable beds. Soon the whole lot, washed, combed, dressed, descend to the prayer room where each child has her private devotions for fifteen minutes. Then they file into the dining room where they have family prayers and breakfast. House work comes next. They make their own beds first, then some wash dishes and some make the teachers' beds and dust their rooms. This is part of their training for home-making.

The mother-daughter system is supposed to keep the little girls neat and clean, and train the older girls to be kind and helpful. It has been difficult, however, because we do not have enough older girls. It may be necessary next year to have a maid to look after the smallest children.

NIAMAT

Niamat lives in Karnak Village and is from the poorest of the poor. Her father is dead and her mother crochets for a small pittance. So eager was Niamat to learn that she walked nearly two miles each way to school until we took her in as a boarder.

Five are non-Christians and a bright, interesting group they are. All being from wealthy farmers' families, they are in first class and have everything they need, materially speaking. One was so timid at first, however, that she could hardly smile. She now seems a happy normal child. One takes responsibility like a teen-ager, although she is only ten.

ALICE

Alice is a tiny sweet thing who will be in first primary next year. She is doing well in her lessons and, I hope, will some day make a teacher. She is related to one of our teachers.

ISIS

As Isis was afraid to go to bed in the dark alone, the other children of her room being absent that night, I sat with her a few minutes and talked to her of Jesus' presence with her. Remembering this teaching, she has not been afraid since. Sometimes naughty, she is always repentant and promises to do better—and she is learning.

FLORENCE

Florence's mother is dead, her father is married again, and she is not wanted by her step-mother. An aunt and uncle have taken over the responsibility recently, and do all they can for her, but the early years have left their imprint. She is still naughty and irresponsible, although slowly improving.

TABITHA

Tabitha is the daughter of a Holiness preacher in a nearby village. It is her first year away from home, but she has adjusted perfectly, seems very happy, and is doing well in every way. She is another potential worker for Christ.

OUR TEACHERS

Thankful for our children, we are also thankful for our faithful teachers, all of whom have signed contracts for next year, except one who is to be married.

MISS MUKHTARA

Miss Mukhtara, who was obliged to give up her work last March on account of poor health, is greatly improved and has worked right through this year. She has visited every day pupil in her home and some boarders, thereby gaining and

giving a better understanding of circumstances all around. Untiring in her efforts for the school, she gives invaluable service. We pray that she may continue with us, a blessing to everyone she meets.

Facts and Figures

The total enrollment this year was two hundred and thirty, of which thirty-seven were boarders, a slight increase over last year. We have more in the secondary department and also in the fourth primary, which we hope will bring more to first secondary next year. In our top class we have eleven lovely girls, an exceptionally nice class from whom we are expecting great things.

As our boarders were almost evenly divided in first and third class this year, and there was no second, we are gladly eliminating third next year, and shall have only first and second. The larger number in first class has increased our income. There are prospects of a further increase in numbers next year, to prepare for which we are arranging things and doing some painting. May our service increase as our numbers grow.

Our Alumnae Society held four meetings during the year. A well-known pharmacist spoke to a popular group on penicillin; pictures of the life of Christ were shown; a delegate to the Oslo Youth Conference last summer gave an excellent report; and a pastor explained and aroused new enthusiasm for the Laubach campaign. The final meeting was a boating party.

This spring Miss Roy made calculations as to comprehension, speed, and accuracy of mental processes by a handwriting test given our girls from second primary through third secondary. She hopes to use the results as a basis for remedial work. She also tested the eyesight of one hundred and seven girls by a simple method, and found that nineteen, or about eighteen per cent, need glasses. Parents are being advised to consult specialists.

During the year six girls united with the church, three being from the top class. Miss Mukhtara conducted the communicants' class this spring. We are hoping that some of our girls will conduct Daily Vacation Bible Schools and some will help teach illiterates by the Laubach method.

We wish to thank you each and everyone for your generous gifts and faithful prayers in support of the school.

Luxor Girls' School, Egypt

NEWS FROM AFAR

Sudan

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SIDELIGHTS—A BUSY MONDAY

By MISS UNA COIE, Khartoum North, The North Sudan

IT is Monday. The place is Gereife. The sun is just peeping over the horizon and I must be up and doing.

After dressing and having my devotions it is time for breakfast—then prayers with the teachers before going out to work.

Sheikh Faig took us out to work in the car because our work begins out about a mile and a half away and it saves time when we do not have to walk.

The girls soon come together in the first house. Ten or twelve are having lessons but there are always the hangers-on who come to see and hear so the number increases to twenty-five, many of whom are milling around. Usually several of these are "baby-sitters" and one of the babies today insists on his "baby-sitter" being a "baby-stander" or else he howls. In spite of the interruptions the girls listen to the story well. We go on to the next house where there are about the same number but the quarters are larger and there is more order. The father of this home has very recently returned from a pilgrimage to Mecca. During his absence, a "supposed uncle" took it upon himself to forbid the girls to have lessons with the threat that he would beat up on their teacher. The girls appealed the matter to their father on his return and he said that no one was to forbid his daughters having lessons nor dictate who would come or go in his house.

From there we go to the last house. There are twenty-four to whom I must give lessons on Monday.

When I reach home it is nearly one o'clock and time for dinner. After dinner a little rest while the cook washes the dishes and then a lesson with her for she is trying to learn to read and write. It is a pretty laborious job however and many are the sighs which accompany the reading.

When she has finished I have an English lesson with the girls in training. They know a limited amount of English and they want to know more.

When that is finished I must spend some time in the preparation of notes for the Sabbath School lesson for intermediates and young people. They are hectographed for our use locally here in the Sudan.

Then it is time for a hasty supper for it is already dark and I promised the men at the village club that I would be present on the two nights I spend in Gereife to help to encourage those who are learning to read. So taking my lantern in my hand (we have no electricity at Gereife) I am off for the club about a quarter of a mile from our house.

Here I find some of the club members in the one room listening to the radio. Another group with books is huddled around outside trying to make use of the one pressure lamp which is placed in the window for the use of those inside and outside.

With my arrival they decide to

take my lantern and move to the far corner of the yard where they will be less disturbed by the radio. So here I sit in the midst of these learners—most of them farmers who have been hard at work in the fields all day. They began their lessons when Miss Helana Mikhail was with them and presented the simplified method worked out by Dr. Frank Laubach. It is expected that each person who knows how to read will be willing to teach another. The biggest difficulty so far is that the volunteer teachers have not taken their job seriously nor continued faithfully with the lessons.

I must watch the reading of those on one side of me and help them over the hard spots, while on the other side Mahmoud is studying by himself the lesson which I had gone over with him the night before. He asks me about a word and remarks, "You know, Miss Una, I just haven't had any time to read today for I had to make two or three trips to Khartoum and there was the work in the field." I know Mahmoud has not had time for he has to take the milk in to the Mission each morning now since his harum-scarum younger brother ran off the other day. But in spite of that Mahmoud is doing very well and he says, "We're going to stick to this till we learn to read."

Two other farmers are nearly finished with their books and are reading something like this:

"This is an energetic farmer.
This energetic farmer rises early.
This energetic farmer rises early and goes to the field," etc.

One stops to say, "Ya, Sitt, shall I read this again?" So I must stop to give my decision. Another asks in an aside to Mahmoud, What's her name?"

Next comes Hassan and he has a discouraged look. I imagine he doesn't learn easily but he has been endeavoring to write the first lesson which he has learned. I ask him who has been teaching him. He has no teacher, but his little brother who goes to school shows him sometimes so I must help to build up Hassan's morale and get him onto the next page of his letters and play the letter game with him.

Then there is Hagg Yusef who is here for the first time. He wants a book. I show him the beginning lesson, and rejoice in his interest.

Before we realize, it is nine o'clock and I must go home. Mahmoud delegates himself to see that I reach home safely after all have thanked me sincerely for coming and helping them and with injunctions to be sure to come back next week and bring some other books "as we are going to finish these this week."

Mahmoud tells me on the way home that he has learned more these two nights than all before. Of course that just means that I have helped to build up their morale and show them that they can do it. They need a leader and there seems to be no one else forth-coming so I can not neglect to make use of the God-given opportunity to bear witness for Him by life and word.

There has been opposition of course. Satan will see to that and he has a tool quite thoroughly delivered into his hands in the person of the man who has been trying to stop our work in the homes. He has been telling these learners that all we want is a chance to preach to them and make Christians of them. Mahmoud replies, "Christian or no Christian they are doing more for us than you have ever done."

I am most earnestly praying that God's Spirit will use these opportunities to the saving of many souls. I firmly believe that He will. I plead with you all to join your prayers with ours for the saving of these souls, for it is "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit" saith the Lord.

Egypt

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AS HEARD IN THE FAYOUM, EGYPT

By MISS HELEN J. NOORDEWIER, Fayoum, Egypt

THE lady missionary is standing at the post-office window, receiving a small Christmas package from America. One end of the package is open and the Egyptian employee says, "I could have taken something from this package but I do not do such things. I know there will be an Arithmetic some day." The missionary smiles and remembers that the Arabic word for Arithmetic and Accounting are the same and she understands. She is thankful that there are those in Egypt who are keeping in mind the Great Day of Accounting.

"If I can only get to the place where I can read the Bible!" says a mother of four little boys. (With a baby on her lap and another tugging at her skirts she has struggled through the primer.) "When I am able to read the Bible I can tell these wonderful stories to my little boys and how they will enjoy them. And then too, they will never need to say 'My mother cannot read'."

"What a good sermon," thinks the lady missionary as she listens with rapt attention to the young Egyptian pastor of the town church. But how bold the sparrows are getting to be. I find it hard to hear the pastor sometimes. Would that we had screens in the windows! The flies are bad, too. Don't we look funny holding our psalters in one hand and waving off the flies with the other. However, my soul, praise thou the Lord and forget these little annoyances!

"This is for the Thank Offering that you were telling about." A ragged little village girl puts into my hand a two-cent piece which I know looks very big to her. "And please give me one of the Thank Offering envelopes, too," she adds. I look at her rags and her puny undernourished little body and I wish I could clothe her in something warm and give her a good meal. However she has something that warms my heart and I know it warms His heart!

"But I can't go to church so soon after there has been a death in our family. I shall have to stay away several months at least, if not a year. That is our custom." I say, "But aren't you a Christian and wouldn't you be helped by the worship services of the church and isn't it time Egyptian Christians abandoned these mourning customs which came to you from the old pagan days?" "Yes, that is true, but—" The missionary sighs and says to herself, "Well, anyway, slowly the mourning customs of the Christian women are becoming more Christian, but, oh, how depressing they are now."

"Our daughter died of cholera and the rest of the family were all taken off to an isolation camp. It was awful." "Did she die in this house?" I asked. "No, she was ill only five hours but when we knew she was going to die we moved her to a small room in a place a short distance from here and she died there. We knew that all our belongings, few as they are, would be burned by the officials if she died in this house." "In fifteen neighboring houses there were deaths from cholera," said a friend in another village. "But we and our children were spared although at least a hundred died in our small village. We

lived around the Bible in those days and read and sang Psalm 91 every day. We are so thankful we were spared but feel so sorry for the many who were bereaved."

"What shall I call the new car when it arrives from America?" thinks the happy lady missionary who has received the wonderful news that a friend of the Lord's work is sending her a car to be used in village work. The car I had years ago I called Sitt Ameena, Lady Faithful, and faithful she was. After I had used her for seven years another lady missionary bought her from me and used her another seven years. I must think of a very special name because one does not receive a Station Wagon as a gift every day.

Our theme for the Thank Offering meeting is, "A garment of praise instead of the spirit of heaviness." It is not easy to wear this garment at all times but, my soul, make thou a noble effort! Jesus came to give to the mourners in Zion "a garland for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness." If we wear this garment on the Thank Offering day and every day He surely will be glorified.

Ethiopia

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A TRIP TO TIRENE

By MISS MARJORIE M. FAUGHT, R.N., Sayo, Ethiopia

SINCE coming to Sayo four months ago it has been my privilege to visit a number of the indigenous, evangelical churches which grew up during and following the Italian occupation, and are still growing. Yesterday we did a full day's trek to visit one of those churches. We were up before the sun, and since the rains have begun, we were glad to see a clear sky. Rev. and Mrs. Carl Kissling, Miss Doreen Payne (an English nurse who is here for six months to help train our hospital workers) and I left the compound at 6:45 riding mules and horses. For the first hour we rode along wet and slippery roads for it had rained hard the day before. But the sun was out and the roads were drying, and we were able to make good time. I wish that you could enjoy a horseback ride through our beautiful country. Since the rains have begun, the countryside is lovely and green and the corn is high in the fields. The sky is so blue and here and there are white clouds. When a storm is gathering, the beauty of the sky and hills is beyond description. We rode up and down hills and through rivers and streams, and beside green fields.

After nearly four hours of travelling, we arrived at the little church in Tirene. The service had begun and as we went in, Kase Gidada was baptising two people into the church. There were 75 people present, but only eleven are church members including the elders. There have been services held there for nine years, but this was the first communion service. Only those who have qualified for church membership and are in good standing may partake of the elements. Including our group, only 15 communed. The others sat in reverent quietness, and we prayed that they, too, would long to come into that fellowship. No one can come in and sit down and take communion unless he is known to be a member in good standing. The invitation is not given to all, and those who commune sit up in the front. Kase Gidada gave a short message then the

elements were passed by two elders. Following that, Rev. Kissling gave a message on "I am the Door." After the service the people went quietly out and we greeted them outside. Such a service is very impressive and inspiring.

Kase Gidada is the only ordained Ethiopian minister now, as Kase Mamo is still working for the government and is not here. Rain or shine, Kase Gidada goes on his mule to the various churches baptising and giving Communion, and inspiring the leaders and the people. The elders do the preaching, and the teaching in the S.S., and during the week they attend Rev. Kissling's class for ministers and elders. It is wonderful to hear a congregation sing all the hymns without books, for most of them cannot read or write and they sing them all from memory. They are poor farmers, having little of this world's goods, but they love to go to the Lord's house on the Sabbath day. After the service we were asked to go to see the old man who gave the land for the church. He is not a member of the church but gave a large piece of land on a hilltop. The church is made of poles and dried stalks, and the roof of grass, and the people built it themselves. The congregation sits on low benches made of two poles laid on a cross piece. Often the children sit on mats on the floor. We went to see the old man and he said he is nearly 80 years old. He invited us to sit in his house in the outer room where the children and sheep were making themselves at home! He had the servants bring in a fat sheep, saying he would have it killed and make "wut" for us. We told him that we could not stay that long as it would be dark before we reached home. He said, "Why don't you stay all night." We thanked him and politely excused ourselves.

We had brought some sandwiches and cookies along for our lunch and the people gave us some bananas. We sat in the shade in the church yard and ate our lunch and had a little rest before starting back. Kase Gidada (who had gone to Tirene the day before) rode back with us, and two of the elders walked all the way back. They stay on the compound during the week so as to attend the class. The road was dry, and we rode through one heavy shower, but it was not wide spread so we had a good trip home on dry roads. We arrived home before dark and had spent eight hours in the saddle or on foot. It is perhaps 16 miles one way. Distance is measured by hours of travel in Ethiopia. It has been pouring rain this morning and we are glad we did not stay with the old man! There is some stiffness and sunburn among us but we are glad we had that trip, and the experience of fellowshipping with our Ethiopian brothers and sisters in that service.

The Suez Canal

Pakistan and India

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JESUS' SUPPLY

By MISS LAURA REYNOLDS, Sargodha, Pakistan

A few days ago we visited one of our villages and heard the usual cries of hunger. The most pathetic was a little fellow who knew only too well his parents were not able to get any wheat, but in his longing for bread he asked his mother, "Is the supply of wheat all finished in Jesus' house? Does He have no more?"

Most of our Punjabi villagers have been tightening their belts and trying to find food substitutes, often exceedingly poor ones, for the wheat they usually eat. Yesterday I heard the first encouraging word from the son of a farmer. He said, "It isn't long now till the new wheat will be ready. If we can just manage to get along for a few more weeks we will be all right." Good news has recently come that an American Mennonite group has sent out supplies of cereals and we are hoping we can get some of this supply for our village Christians. This gift from such a Christian group can surely be called, "from Jesus' house"!

Next to physical hunger, comes the lack of clothing. Our people have always seemed poor, but I have never before seen them dressed in rags! In the "good old days" there was sure to be an extra suit of clothes laid away in the big tin box for special occasions. I suggested recently to a little girl that she get out her "box-clothes" and get ready for church service. She informed me that she did not now have any extra garments, the two ragged ones she had on were all she owned. Many of our people must be in this same state for the war started in 1939 for us in India and very soon cloth was hard to get and very high priced. Since the division of India there is even less to be had here in Pakistan. We hope cloth mills may be opened up here sometime soon and that we may see our Christian people properly dressed again. In the meantime, we are grateful for anything that comes out from home. Right now I am running a sort of clothes conversion factory. The Friends' Service Unit received a supply from America and has shared it with us to be distributed to the needy and the refugees newly come to Pakistan. Some of our creations are as wonderful as the things that kept the American public talking last winter. One pair of knickers for a small lad was made out of ten pieces, instead of the usual two. A woman's shirt had sleeves made of five pieces each! Miss Lincoln asked for our scraps to use in the hospital—but we have very few scraps.

It is wonderful to be able to tell these people that the food and clothing is supplied by Jesus and that He wants to give them spiritual food and to clothe them with the garments of Salvation and Praise.

"The whole church should set itself to the total task of winning the whole world to Christ."

—Assembly of World Council of Churches meeting at Amsterdam.

Foreign Missions Advance

(Released by Foreign Missions Conference of North America)

One hundred and eight foreign mission boards, representing every major Protestant denomination, have approved a joint campaign this fall for a vast five to ten year expansion program in overseas work. This marks the first time Protestantism has made a joint appeal for church and public support of foreign missions.

While the exact figure which American and Canadian churches will be called on to contribute has not been announced, the goal of the participating boards is expected to total approximately $150,000,000 for the first five years of the cooperative Protestant undertaking. This goal represents a doubling of present contributions to Protestant foreign missions.

Designed to inject fresh techniques into Protestant missions efforts, the overseas program is the result of two and a half years of joint planning by foreign mission societies in the United States, Canada, and Protestant missions abroad.

In anticipation of the expansion program, twenty-three mission boards already have set a goal of about $60,000,000 as their overseas expenditure for the first five years. The new goals represent substantial increases, since the entire group of boards associated with the Foreign Missions Conference last year spent less than $35,000,000.

The new mission program will be conducted in ten geographic areas, including Latin America, Africa, Europe, the Near East, India and Pakistan, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands, the Philippines, China, Korea and Japan.

In each of these areas, foreign mission boards have set tentative goals for personnel, schools, colleges, theological seminaries, mass communications and radio work, rural rehabilitation, programs for industrial communities, and evangelism campaigns.

In connection with some of the features of the proposed missionary program, cooperative radio and mass communications committee is being established under auspices of the Foreign Missions Conference. This committee will train foreign students in this country for radio work. Strategically located recording stations and radio programs will be developed abroad, and production of films, slides, charts, and graphs will be accelerated. It is estimated that the initial cost of the project will be close to $100,000.

A mass literacy campaign under the direction of Dr. Frank C. Laubach, pioneer missionary educator and literacy expert, is also planned, and will aim at the education of approximately 100,000,000 literates in the next ten years. Dr. Laubach, who recently helped establish an adult education program for Emperor Haile Selassie, will assist in establishing literacy committees in each of the foreign countries. The initial cost of the project will be $212,000.

Other mission projects earmarked for expansion, include special health programs, such as mass chest X-ray units, traveling high-power insect eradication equipment, and sanitary construction units.

Latest available figures show that Protestant foreign missions conduct 55,395 churches, and 61,869 Sunday schools, with a staff of 239,045, including 27,577 missionaries. In the principal missionary countries, the mission societies associated with the Foreign Missions Conference, have contributed since 1943 annual amounts of approximately $250,000 to Korea, $5,000,000 to China, and $4,750,000 to India.

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THANKSGIVING AND THANKSLIVING

"Were thanks with every gift expressed,
Each day would be Thanksgiving;
Were gratitude its very best
Each day would be Thanksliving."

Thanksgiving unless closely allied with *Thanksliving* is apt to dissipate itself in the mere expression of words. We may say, "I thank you" quite glibly to someone who has befriended us, but we show real gratitude when our subsequent attitudes toward that person are harmonious with our words. No doubt God welcomes our prayers of adoration, but the truly thankful person who accepts God's greatest gift, His own Son as Savior, tries to live a life that is one constant prayer of gratitude.

Oliver Wendell Holmes compares the thankful and unthankful heart: "If one should give me a dish of sand, and tell me there were particles of iron in it, I might look for them; but let me take a magnet and sweep through it, and how it would draw to itself the almost invisible particles by the mere power of attraction! The unthankful heart, like my finger in the sand, discovers no mercies; but let the thankful heart sweep through the day, and as the magnet finds iron, so it will find in every hour some heavenly blessings—only the iron in God's sand is gold."

There is no greater *gold* in the world than God's heavenly blessings.

It was the discovery that the *choicest gold* in God's heavenly blessings is Christ that led Paul to express Thanksgiving in 2 Cor. 9:15 "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift" and to issue the call for Thanksliving in Col. 2:6, "As ye therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him." In walking before others as the great missionary to the Gentiles Paul *lived* his thanks.

How better live our thanks today than to unite with others in using our God-given energy, talents and money in the world-wide application of the Great Commission? The limit of the Outreach to which we are called in the program theme suggested in this issue of the Magazine can be reached only as we "Go into all the world and preach the gospel." From the World Wide Christian Advance program of our own denomination we are about to join United Protestantism in a world-circling vision for the Advance of Foreign Missions.

The friend of a humble little woman said of her, "She lives all over the world." She had really never traveled far from her ancestral home but her interests were world-wide, as she prayed for a hospital in one far land, supported an orphan in another, or contributed to a school in still another, yet not unmindful of the needs of those who lived near her. She knew the secret, the power and the joy of Thanksgiving and of Thanksliving. Do you?

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST IN THE MAGAZINE?

"Do please renew my subscription to *The Women's Missionary Magazine* for another year. Your September issue alone would be enough to convince me that I should re-subscribe for another year. When it came yesterday I immediately decided that the front cover was something I wanted to look at often, so I placed it on top of our wall-type telephone to the left or our desk where I can see it when I am talking or when I am writing at the desk. I can see it from the kitchen cabinet where I stand to wash dishes or from my sewing machine which is to the far left of the desk. You may be interested to know that this same picture of Christ hangs in the choir loft of the church we attend... Then it was good to see Ruth Newman in the picture of the Caravaners, and Miss Edith Vorhis. Then I always look first for the news of Ethiopia, for to me it is the most interesting of the U.P. Fields. And the old Chinese proverb on page 38 could be developed into a most inspiring sampler . . ."—*Mrs. Harold J. Yoder*, West Liberty, Ohio.

(This enthusiastic expression of personal appreciation to Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, Treasurer, was of course spontaneous and unsolicited. Permission has since then been secured from Mrs. Yoder to print it.)

From another reader comes this comment, "My *Magazine* came this morning and I hasten to express my delight with this new one for September. I so much enjoyed the July-August number also. I have given it to four persons to read Mrs. White's article and will take it to the September meeting and loan it to others, and I'll also take the September number. The cover gave me a thrill, for I love young people."

It is evident that these two persons read the Magazine from cover to cover! They share it with others. Subscriptions are important, vitally important. There is no income from advertising or similar sources. But, even more important than subscribers are *readers* if the Magazine is to fulfil its purpose. Is it not a joy in helping to be a channel through whom missionary information reaches others?

What do you like best in the Magazine? What do you read first? We want to help you to receive the interesting, often soul-stirring messages written by consecrated Christians and missionaries. We want it to be filled with what you want and need to know about the mission work all members and friends of the United Presbyterian Church share together.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Some people make out Christmas lists. Have you made yours? As you look at it do you wonder what Aunt Mary, or Grandma or the new daughter-in-law would like? Perhaps you sigh and say, "So hard to buy gifts for them because they have everything! Clothes, linens, dishes, kitchen gadgets — and enough bric-a-brac to fill a museum! I must think of something original."

Why not consider giving them a subscription to *The Women's Missionary Magazine?* Send in now if you wish them to receive the December issue. The special Christmas order blank on the other side of this page will be honored, by special arrangement up to December 10, and the December issue mailed to them with an appropriate Gift Card.

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(Tear out this page and return to:)

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MRS. WILLIAM NICHOLL

One of God's noble-women was called to her coronation July 25. Mrs. William Nicholl of Quincy, Massachusetts, wife of the Reverend William Nicholl, D.D., was stricken suddenly while in the church service. Before she lost consciousness she said to the friends, "All is well. It is God's will."

Delegates to the WGMS Convention in Wellesley in June will remember that she was one of the hostesses of Boston Presbyterial and had charge of the Prayer Room.

"Her husband . . . he praiseth her . . ." Of her he said to a friend, "She did not have a single enemy in all the world. She loved her Lord supremely and everybody for His sake."

Mrs. Nicholl was indeed a help-meet, devoted to the work of the church in all its departments. She was especially interested in the missionary work of our denomination and missionary work in all the world.

Anyone who ever had the pleasure of being a guest for a time in her home carried away memories of her beautiful life and of the hours of sweet Christian fellowship.

"Not to the opening highways of world praise
Turned she, nor sought the guerdon of renown;
But by the side of Him who was her friend
She chose the ministry that bears
The footprints of the Master. Through the years
She walked unfaltering to the end."

Mrs. John P. White

A MESSAGE TO ALL RECORDING SECRETARIES

Greetings to all of you from your Recording Secretary of the Convention!

As I sit here in our home in Beverly Hills about to write to you, our radio is on and I can hear a Yell King leading a great university in cheers for its football team. As I listen to him and think of you, the thought comes to me that you secretaries are all going to be yell leaders for your church this year. You are the ones who will enthuse and rally all the delegates and friends for our convention at Sterling in June.

Each secretary, I am sure, is planning to send her delegate roll as quickly as possible, and I hope each one of you will plan to have your presbyterial on the honor roll. You can do that by getting all names of delegates and alternates in my hands by January 1.

If you can do this you will be a great help to the convention officers and local committee, and you will be carrying the ball as well as being the yell leader!

Please tell your delegates about the treat that awaits them at Sterling Convention when they come together for delightful Christian fellowship, for hearing informing and encouraging reports of the Women's Board of Directors and many other inspirational and devotional messages.

We are counting on you! Three cheers for the Sterling Convention!

Mrs. James K. Stewart,
Recording Secretary of Convention

HONOR ROLL
DELEGATES TO THE 1949 WGMS CONVENTON
to meet in Sterling, Kansas, June, 1949

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MAGAZINE QUIZ

Dear Reader: You may be a Literature Secretary or just an individual subscriber to the Magazine. Whatever your classification, if you aim to cooperate with the interests and purposes toward efficiency and helpful service, determine your rating by answering for yourself the following questions:

1. Do you read the Magazine from cover to cover every month?
2. Do you tell others of its fine contribution to your own Christian life and the Missionary Program of the Church?
3. Do you keep a record of the expiration date of your subscription and send in your renewal before the subscription has lapsed?
4. Are you aware that in order to have the Magazine without any interruption, the subscription must be renewed not later than the first of the month in which it expires?
   (Your subscription may expire in January, 1949. To be on the February Mailing List, send your renewal in December, or not later than January the first.)
5. If you change your address, do you understand that said address must be turned in at the Post Office or sent to the Magazine Treasurer at once, and your former address must accompany the new address?
6. Do you understand that all subscriptions should be sent to Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, Treasurer, *and not to the Literature Department nor to the Editor of the Magazine.*
7. Do you make all checks and Money Orders payable to: Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, *Treasurer,* of the Women's Missionary Magazine?
8. If you send a Postal Note, are you always careful to fill in blank spaces on the back of the card?
9. If you fail to receive your monthly copy of the Magazine, do you report it immediately, or do you wait from six months to a year, and thereby deprive yourself of much good reading?
10. Will you plan to work harder than ever to bring the Magazine circulation back to 16,000—and then upward to include all the women of our Missionary Societies?

We thank you.

Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, Treasurer

QUIZ ON OUR OUTREACH IN FOREIGN MISSIONS

1. Who is the Foreign Secretary of the Women's Board of Directors of the WGMS?
2. What mission work is under her supervision?
3. Who are leaders connected with the Board of Foreign Missions?
4. What are "short-termers?" Do you know any? Where are they located?
5. How many full-time missionaries do you know personally?
   In Egypt?
   In Pakistan and India?
   In the North and South Sudan?
   In Ethiopia?

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THE THANK OFFERING AND TANTA HOSPITAL

By MRS. HARRY S. HUTCHISON, Tanta, Egypt

What has the Thank Offering meant to Tanta Hospital? Without the Thank Offering Tanta Hospital would not exist. It would seem more pertinent to ask, What has Tanta Hospital meant in the missionary program of our church in Egypt? Because if the hospital has rendered a service of value, then it can truly be said, "This service has been done because the women brought an offering as a symbol of their gratitude."

What has that service been through the forty-four years of the hospital's existence. You have statistics every year to tell just what has been done during the year. But no figures can picture to you the stream of needy bodies and souls that have passed through these doors. The Master moved with compassion "healed many that were sick" and through you He continues to do just that. Is there any better way for you to renew your vows of allegiance to Him than to continue ministering in His name?

The war years were hard on Tanta Hospital because they cut down the staff of doctors and nurses to an almost impossible minimum. They did not curtail the popularity of the service and people crowded into the clinic and the wards.

Now a staff is being built up with a number of very valuable additions. The reputation of the service continues to be excellent. Space for work and room for patients are now the two most trying limitations. Those charged with administration are convinced that only two alternatives are before them. Either we must build a modern plant with greatly increased facilities for treatment and many more beds, or we should no longer pretend to carry on. Without more space we cannot ask men and women of ability to connect themselves with our staff.

What has that to do with the Thank Offering? Well, the Thank Offering has had everything to do with the solution to our problem. The Mission approved our plans to build. Then the Board which represents you gave their approval. But such approval meant funds and where did they look for funds? To last year's Life Memberships. A few weeks ago they wrote that we could go ahead with building plans and they were setting aside from last year's Thank Offering a sum that would justify a beginning. They could not provide for building all that we need but we can now do the part that is most urgent and trust you to be so generous that at a later date the entire plan may become a reality.

What did the 1947 Thank Offering (Life Memberships) mean to Tanta Hospital? It means that we can lay a foundation on which will rise a modern hospital capable of carrying on a Christian service in this community for years to come.

It means that a new surgical wing can be built with operating rooms that will provide greater safety for patients and greater comfort for the staff.

It means that adequate kitchen facilities can be built and not only

so but the rooms so freed will furnish additional rooms for a nurses' home.

It means an entirely new office set-up so that the business of the institution can be efficiently carried on. Again freed rooms in the old building will immediately go into use as quarters for interns.

Perhaps more than anything else your offerings making available a new building here give to your missionary force engaged in this work a new sense of partnership. We have never worked alone because we have His promise to be with us. But when work presses, and need is all around, and facilities are inadequate we sometimes feel a little like Elijah in the cave on Mt. Horeb. But a letter from the secretary telling that the women are working with us, and conscious of the need, are providing for the building; that letter is to us the "still small voice" of Jehovah's comfort saying, "Arise . . . Go forth . . . I have left me seven thousand that have not bowed the knee to Baal."

Yes, your 1947 Thank Offering was God's voice to us bidding us to go forth in His strength.

What will the 1948 Thank Offering mean to Tanta Hospital,—to the whole missionary program of the Church? That question will be answered by you in November.

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Note:

Have you made use of the available Thank Offering material to help you in planning for your Thank Offering? The new Worship Service, "Rejoice Evermore" will be useful in planning your Sabbath morning Thank Offering Service, price 2c. each. Credit for the photograph used on the cover page is due P. Gendreau, New York, N. Y.

When your Thank Offering Service is over be sure your Treasurer sends in the money to the Presbyterial Treasurer along with the names and addresses and all information necessary for Life Memberships. The Thank Offering Secretary will then fill in the report blank and send it to the Presbyterial Thank Offering Secretary. Why not send this at the same time your Treasurer sends in the money and then there will be no reason for your society not being on the Honor Roll? Sometimes the money is in, but not the report.

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37. Mrs. A. K. Walborn, Washtucna, Wash. By friends.
38. Mrs. Margaret Michael, Philadelphia, Pa. By members of the Mayfair W.M.S. as a loving tribute.
39. Mrs. Florence L. Cordin, Philadelphia, Pa. By her husband.
40. Mrs. Mary E. DeBord, Ottawa Lake, Mich. By her mother, Mrs. C. H. Harrison.
41. Mrs. Harold Eddy, Toledo, Ohio. By friends of the W.M.S.
42. Mrs. Catherine Innes Porter. By her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Dennison, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Types of people at Tanta Hospital

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Mrs. Anna Howard, Matron Frenchburg Dormitory.

LET'S NOT BE LATE!

If we are looking for success, however small or great -
We should avoid the habitude of being always late;
Of being tardy every time we start our working day,
Or when we go to classes or the places where we pray,
We should not disappoint the friends whom we agree to meet
At some special hour in a house or on the street.
Because repeated tardiness is laziness of mind
And it is inconsiderate, improper and unkind;
It takes so little effort to be prompt in what we do
And proves that when we promise things we are sincere and true.

—*"Portrait"—by James J. Metcalfe.*

NEW SOCIETIES

Southern Illinois Presbyterial—Romine Prairie "The Annette Bailey" Circle—7 members. Pres.—Mary Gertrude Morton.

Xenia Presbyterial—Jamestown Mabel Robb Y.W.—14 members. Pres.—Mrs. Clara Eaners.

Lake Presbyterial—North Shenango Girls' Circle—10 members. Sponsor, Mrs. Carl Livingston, Pres.—Peggy Jordan.

Allegheny Presbyterial — Elfinwild Dorothy Christy Y.W.—15 members. Pres.—Mrs. J. R. Henderson.

SOCIETIES AT WORK

A new teen-age group, the Vivian Trimble Girls of College Springs, Iowa, started out with a good deal of vim. In an early meeting (an effective roll call) each girl named a missionary whose name was found on one of three designated pages in the Prayer Cycle, and for whom a sentence prayer was offered. The girls presented a playlet which was much appreciated by the guests, the members of the senior society. Incidentally, these "mother-guests" furnished a luncheon preceding the program. The women enjoyed the efforts of the girls and said they "were examples of what young girls should be." They look forward to better work to be done in future senior societies if the girls are trained from youth up.

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Another society — very new — breaks into print. It is the Mabel Robb Society of Jamestown, Ohio.

The correspondent, Mrs. Margaret Huish, said the fourteen charter members are entering actively into the work. Already the Thank Offering is being planned and the play, "In an Indian Station Waiting Room," is to be the program.

Early in its career the society heard as its speaker Mrs. Ralph Crow, Jr., a graduate of the Ezbekia School for Girls in Cairo, Egypt.

The names of the officers of the society are: Pres.—Mrs. Clara Eaners; V. Pres.—Mrs. Ruby Farthing; Sec.—Mrs. Wanda Patterson; Treas.—Mrs. Bannie Benganion.

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A third new organization of ten members is the North Shenango Girls' Circle. It was organized in May and has met each month since in the church or park by the lake or in a home. They were fortunate to have their presbyterial foreign missionary, Miss Ray Huffman, as a speaker. Although these girls are quite young, they are interested and seem anxious to learn. They were inspired to make flannelgraphs for Miss Huffman to take back to the Sudan. She gave them the list of Bible stories she wished illustrated. Quite an adventure!

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Just this past spring the Elevian Teen-age Circle of Kansas City, Kansas, began its career. Its sponsor, Mrs. P. F. Ahlstedt, has sent in an account of some of its activities for missions.

It sent to Tama Indian Mission a box of cloth scraps which the women will use to make quilts. Then "looking through the Magazine," the members selected Mrs. Don Armstrong, Cairo, Egypt, as one to remember. They considered making scrapbooks, but they learned of the heavy custom duties, so turned to something more simple, a handkerchief shower. Twenty were sent. Later they found that Fowler Home where Mrs. Armstrong works has more than forty children. They hope to send enough more to give every child a "hanky."

The society also gathered materials and made scrap-books for Prairie Mission, Mr. Peters, superintendent. Besides, the girls sent some girls' and infant garments to Tama, Iowa, and gave some clothes for the box being sent to Ezel School.

These girls come together every month for the regular meeting and two evenings every month for a covered-dish dinner when they work on their projects and learn to sew. A box of sewing material, thread, etc., is being prepared to send to Mrs. N. D. Williams, sewing teacher at Miller's Ferry School.

The sponsor says that they enjoy their work so much and know they are blessed when they think of and do for others.

LADDER OF SUCCESS

Some one has presupposed the *attitudes* which account for success or failure. Comments are added.

It requires persistent effort to mount any ladder, especially the *ladder* of *success*.

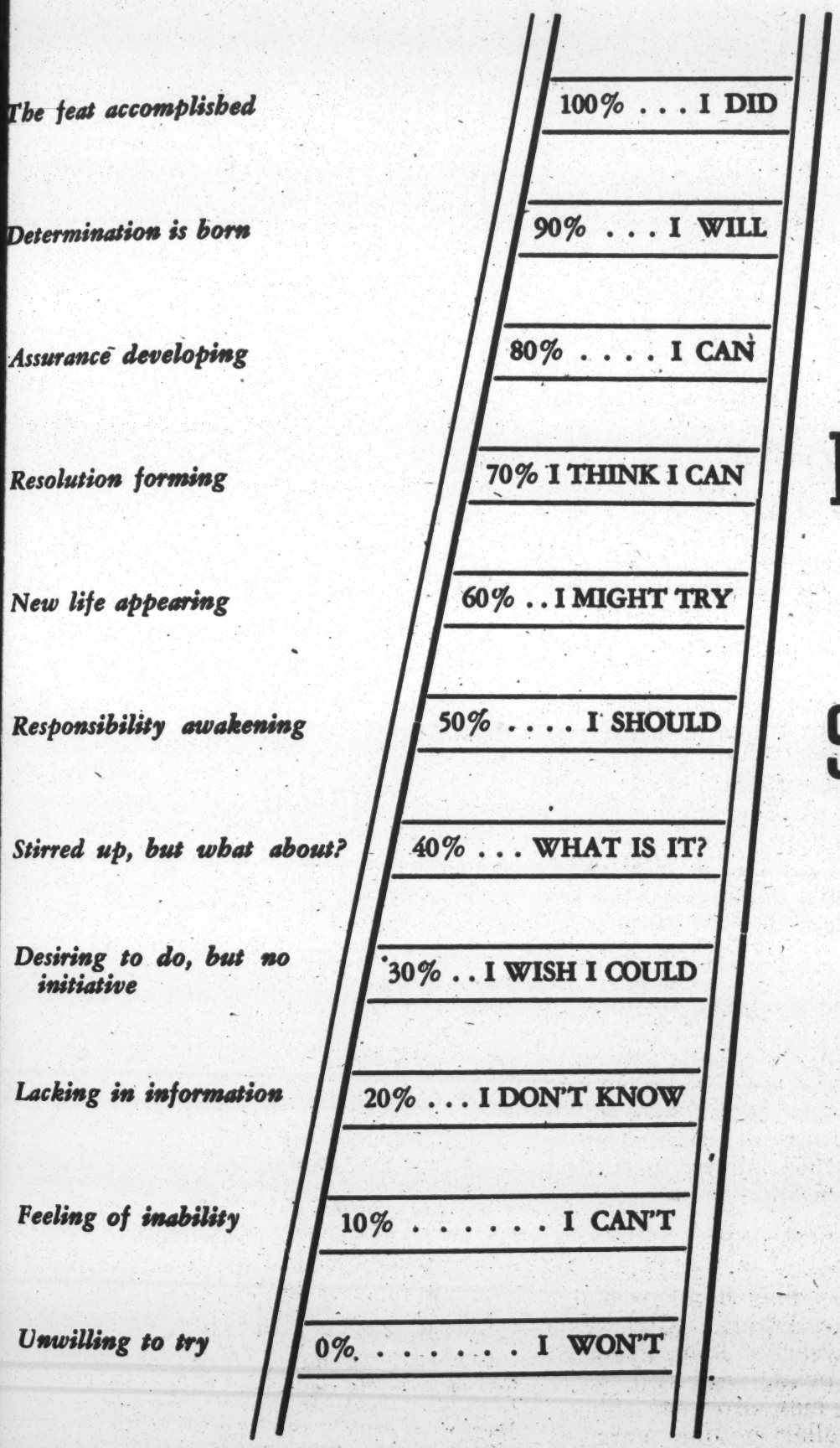
"The elevator to *success* is not running.

Take the stairs."

or

CLIMB the LADDER

The Ladder of Success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The feat accomplished
90% . . . I WILL
Determination is born
80% . . . . I CAN
Assurance developing
70% I THINK I CAN
Resolution forming
60% . . I MIGHT TRY
New life appearing
50% . . . . I SHOULD
Responsibility awakening
40% . . . WHAT IS IT?
Stirred up, but what about?
30% . . I WISH I COULD
Desiring to do, but no initiative
20% . . . I DON'T KNOW
Lacking in information
10% . . . . . I CAN'T
Feeling of inability
0% . . . . . I WON'T
Unwilling to try

Girls' Circle Program

By MRS. WALTER G. COMIN, JR., Pittsburgh, Pa.

You don't have a minute to lose. You must get busy right away. If this program is to be really effective it will take time, thought, and work. And that means work by every member of your group. So come along, let's get started.

PREPARING FOR YOUR MEETING:

Make colorful and attractive Christmas card invitations. They may be made from red, white, green or blue construction paper decorated with silver stars, the invitation written with white or red ink.

Look in current household magazines for ideas for a pretty tea-table or buffet table. Also for ideas for simple refreshments. If your plans are well made in advance, this part of your party can be an attractive feature without being the center of emphasis.

If it is your custom to exchange gifts at the Christmas meeting, perhaps you would like to try bringing something for others outside your group this year. You might look up a needy family in your community, or bring gifts for one of our Home, Negro or Indian Mission stations. There are suggestions of things needed there in the July-August issue of the magazine.

Prepare your stage setting or small stage according to the method of presentation you choose. Costumes or costumed figures should be prepared ahead, too. Plan to spend at least one evening on rehearsal alone so that everyone knows just what she is to do—*when.*

COSTUME SUGGESTIONS:

See April issue of the Magazine, page 491. Mary may be dressed like the girl from Arabia. Girl from Egypt may wear a long dress of bright calico print, with full, gathered skirt. She may also wear a sheer, black veil similar to one worn by the Bible Woman on page 20 of the September issue. The girl from Ethiopia may wear a simple white tunic-like garment, with sash or belt of any color she chooses. Typical Chinese and Japanese costumes, as well as any others from other lands, may be added to carry out the idea.

It is not essential, but it would be quite effective if the Choral group could wear either choir robes or white choir capes. If they are not available, they could be made of white crepe paper.

STAGING SUGGESTIONS:

Pageant may be presented with girls from your group taking the parts, or by using cardboard figures or puppets on a marionette stage. For marionette stage directions see page 36 of the September issue.

Where girls are taking the parts, only very simple staging is needed if you do not have a real stage available. It is not necessary to have a curtain across the front

The Reader may present the entire story as girl from each country comes forward and takes her place in the tableau. Or each girl may memorize her own part. The latter is preferable in most groups.

Where figures are used, they may be placed in scene as they are introduced in the script.

JOY TO THE WORLD
A Christmas Pageant

CHORAL GROUP: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." (*Mary takes place beside manger at back of stage. Should be natural, easy position which can be held without strain throughout pageant.*)

(*Reader stands at one side of stage.*)

READER: Luke 2:1-7

CHORAL GROUP: "Come All Ye Faithful."

GIRL FROM ETHIOPIA: (*Enters right front and goes slowly and reverently to manger, Kneels in silent prayer, then rises to face audience.*) Almost two thousand years ago a missionary came to my land, now called Ethiopia, to tell of the birth of a King.

"The Son of God had come," he said, "to save us from our sins." Many believed and worshipped Him of whom the missionary spoke. But then there were no books to be read and the story as it was handed down from priest to priest became distorted. Finally even the language itself became only a ritual of words which had no meaning for the people. The language of the land was no longer the same. So the people turned aside to worship the idols of the heathen peoples. Our civilization decayed and fell away. We no longer used our hands to build and to beautify our land. Centuries passed while we sank deeper and deeper into darkness, doubt and superstition. But while darkness brooded over our land, the Light of Salvation spread to other parts of the world. From other countries across the seas came new missionaries to tell us again of the Birthday of Our Saviour. They brought the keys of learning and of healing which opened our minds to the Great Truth that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Living God and came into the world to redeem the world. Faith in God gave many of us strength and courage to withstand untold hardships while the tides of war rolled over us in almost ceaseless waves. Now, with order once more restored, and with the help of the faithful missionaries who stood by us through our trials, we are slowly but surely climbing into the light, to take our place among the nations of the world.

We are learning from books, we are reading the Word of God in the language we understand. We are seeking to build and enrich our land.

For a girl like me, it means a life of usefulness and dignity, not slavery to the demands of my father and then of whatever man might choose to buy me for his wife. It means increased physical, mental and spiritual health. Each day I thank my Heavenly Father for the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, who came to seek and to save that which was lost. (*steps back to right of stage.*)

GIRL FROM INDIA (*Enters left front, advances to manger, bows her head in prayer, then moves down right to stand at one side. Speaks as though thinking aloud.*)—Christmas, the Birthday of Our Lord. Truly it should be a time for rejoicing, merrymaking and feasting as we in India love to do. Celebrations are seldom quiet with us. And we need to pause and think, to pray.

What might my life have been if He had not come? I look about me at the suffering of women and girls in India from disease and starvation. Mothers and babies are dying because of ignorance and superstition.

Little girls in Christian homes such as mine, grow to maturity with a natural happy childhood behind them. The blessings of education, health and the security of God's love have been mine.

Now as India faces a time of internal strife, a time of searching for national unity, I, a Christian, must accept and discharge the duties of a Christian citizen. Indian Christians hold before themselves a five-point star of duty-worship, obedience, fellowship, service and proclamation. (*half-turns to manger.*) But He who came that we might have Eternal Life, will strengthen us to follow our star even as the wise men of old journeyed so far to find their Saviour. (*steps back to left of stage.*)

GIRL FROM EGYPT (*Enters left back, kneels beside manger thoughtfully. Rises to come down center front.*) It was into my country that Joseph and Mary fled, that their precious Son might be saved from the wrath of a wicked king. It was to my country that John Mark came many years later to tell of the works of Jesus and his saving grace. Here, too, many believed and worshiped. But the Coptic priests were the only interpreters of this wondrous gospel. It became obscured in the dust of a forgotten language we could not understand.

But now for many years the missionaries have come to us and have unlocked the Word of God that we may read for ourselves.

Because they came my home was Christian. I learned to play and to sing, instead of being sent out into the streets to beg and whine. I learned to read and write and sew; to cook and serve nourishing foods, instead of being kept in ignorance of everything except how to please a man and keep his house in a way that had not changed for generations. I was permitted to lift my face to the sunlight and to walk about in comparative freedom, unhampered by the long enveloping veil. And when I marry, it will be to a Christian man who is learning to respect the dignity of womanhood and who will not, at a whim, send me from his house, divorced and shamed.

Instead of thinking only of myself and my surroundings, my horizon has lifted so that I think of those of my sisters who live in other parts of our land; and of other village peoples, where many of my friends have gone to teach and to carry the Message; the tribes of people in the interior of Africa, the Sudanese, and even the starving, suffering people of Europe.

And I know that Christians in other parts of the world are thinking of them, too, and of us and are lifting their hearts in prayer to the One true God and Father of us all.

What a joyous life, what a rich privilege to serve Our Lord and Master Jesus Christ, side by side with Christian sisters all around the world. (*Steps to left.*)

(*Girls from other lands come forward to kneel at manger and complete tableau.*)

CHORAL GROUP: "Joy to the World."

The End

The Juniors

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Pictures of New Junior Life Members

When a child becomes a Junior Life Member by the payment of ten dollars, his name and address, the name of the donor, and the Junior Life Membership fee should be sent by the society's treasurer to the Presbyterial Treasurer. A certificate will be sent. After this has been received, a picture of the child will appear in the *Junior Missionary Magazine* if a snapshot is sent to the Thank Offering Department, WGMS, 905 Publication Building, 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh 2, Pennsylvania. Please do not ask for the return of the picture as this would be impossible under the new arrangement. The picture, or figure in the picture, should be approximately two inches wide and three inches long.

Television Pictures

The First Church, Akron, Ohio, sends the following word: "We have made the small television set (the new Junior Thank Offering Television invitation) into a full missionary sermon as a preview to our Thank Offering season. This was done by the use of large pictures put on paper as a continuous roll and by using a box with the front panel cut out as a copy of the television invitation. We made the set so that the Juniors could roll it back and forth, and so become familiar with each picture of the mission fields. I know when they receive their individual invitations, they will mean so much more to them." Mrs. G. H. Brown is the Superintendent.

A Wrong Picture

Three of our splendid societies were omitted in the printed list (in the July-August issue) of societies having sent the largest contributions of money last year. In order to correct this wrong picture, the following list is given. The five societies with largest contributions last year are as follows: Ingram, Pa.; Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio; Parnassus, Pa.; Ellwood City, Pa.; and Second-Fifth, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Word Picture from Nasir

(Part of a letter from Miss Jean Maxwell, South Sudan)

A couple of weeks ago I visited one of our little clinic houses where stays an extremely sick little girl. She is one of the most promising girls in the girls' school and is the sister of one of our clinic boys. We think she may have typhoid fever, but whatever is her trouble she is a very sick little girl. I found her sitting up huddled under a big cloth and sitting on a skin—no nice soft pillow, no comfortable bed, no nice clean bed linen, and nothing to tempt her very poor appetite but old boiled dura grain with some native milk which is unspeakably awful. She sits there day after day smoking one of the long charcoal pipes these people are always dragging on. She has no pretty books to read and could hardly spell out the most simple of words if she did have the books. Her house is dark and dirty and not insect-proof, which means that she *may* be bitten by scorpions and *is* bitten daily by the swarms of mos-

quitoes we have here, especially after the sun sets.

Her mother is the wife of a dead man, that is, a man who died long ago and, because he had no children, one of his brothers married the wife. They have five children, all of whom go by the dead man's name. Only someone who has lived among these people knows what that means. It means, in part, that the man in the case takes very little interest in the family and probably little or no responsibility for their welfare. So our little girl's mother has to take care of her two little brothers and go back and forth to their home in the village in order to get the planting and hoeing done. Therefore little Nyagun stays for the most part all alone.

This morning I looked out over the one hundred and fifty people assembled on the porch of our clinic for prayers and some of them just made my heart ache. One little boy was hit in the middle of the back of his head with a sharp-pointed fishing spear. He has a hole the size of a large pea in his skull and is hardly able to totter in to the clinic with the aid of his relatives. A young girl had such sore eyes you wondered how she would ever find the pathway home; then you looked lower and saw a huge ulcer on her leg and really wondered. A little baby sat beside her with the whole side of her cheek eaten out by the type of ulcer that is one of the great and most common features of yaws.

This is a horrible picture, but not half so horrible as the heart and soul sickness and death that they live with all the time. A Nuer man said the other day to one of the village evangelists, "The trouble with our people is that we have listened to the white man's words and have left our old gods. Now if we would go back to the gods of our fathers, we would be all right." That is the kind of thing that can put the missionary into a deep blue of discouragement if he forgets the wonderful promises of the Lord to us in regard to our sowing of the Word and His reaping of the harvest. One of the newest missionaries to the Sudan said in a recent letter that he was seeing more and more how useless it is for us to bring our ways and our civilization to these people if we do not bring Christ too.

PRICES NOW EFFECTIVE

For the *Junior Missionary Magazine* Single subscriptions—$.50 a year. In clubs of 10 or more subscriptions to one address, all beginning with the same issue, each subscription—$.25 a year.

Picture taken from a book on Health. Teaching African children the danger of flies conveying sickness through food.

MRS. EDGAR B. MURDOCH, Secretary, 4 Wilmont Ave., Washington, Pa.

Home Missions

A recent visit to the Kentucky schools left a very happy and satisfied feeling in the heart of the Home Missions Secretary. An unusually fine spirit of co-operation and companionship prevails in both schools and everyone seemed happy and interested. The new young teachers came to tell how much pleased they were with the schools and how happy they were to be there. One new teacher said she had not dreamed the schools were so fine scholastcially, the buildings so good and well cared for, nor that the teachers' lives would be made so comfortable and pleasant. It was a joy to see these schools well started on what promises to be a most successful year.

Frenchburg School

The new grade building is slowly nearing completion. Delayed material has caused a slowing up in construction so that it will probably be some time in November before the building will be ready for use. In the meantime the temporary building continues to be crowded to the walls but the teachers struggle on, buoyed up by the hope of soon having elbow room in the new building. Mrs. Alice Girvin Hughes, a member of the faculty for several years, has been made supervisor of the grades and is doing good work in this new position.

The dormitory is the happy home of fifteen girls and twelve boys, a lively active bunch coming from Menifee and nearby counties in the mountains. The sound of singing from the kitchen as the boys join the girls in dishwashing and the notes of accordion and trumpet softly played floating down from the boys' floor give an inkling of the happy spirit prevailing there. The dormitory means much to such as little Carol. She had almost given up hope of continuing beyond the eighth grade because she wears a brace as the result of polio, so could not walk the two miles to reach the school bus, but now that she can live on the campus she has the vision of going on through high school. Her bright happy spirit, in spite of her handicap, is an inspiration to all on the campus.

Jane Cook Hospital

The hospital opened the first of September, which the coming of Dr. Walker made possible. He is winning friends and patients daily and will soon have his days well filled. He has performed several difficult operations so skilfully that rapid and complete recovery has followed, proving his ability as a surgeon. A sincere Christian he has a vital interest in the spiritual as well as the physical needs of his patients. It is a relief to the community, as well as the Board, to have the hospital open again with a physician in charge in whom we all have confidence.

The Hospital Manager

We are happy to introduce the new manager of the hospital, Miss Margaret Buren of Sheldon, Iowa. Miss Buren is a business woman of long experience, having been assistant cashier in a large bank for a number of years. She is a United Presbyterian, a devoted Christian who was active in the missionary society

and the Sabbath school of her home church. She has long been interested in Frenchburg and some time ago wrote to ask if there were any way in which her business experience could be used there. We are glad to avail ourselves of her services in inaugurating this new position which workers in the hospital have long felt was much needed. Her duties will be manifold as she looks after all the physical affairs of the hospital in addition to the book keeping, correspondence and duties of receptionist. She has assumed her position with quiet efficiency and will fit in well with the life of the hospital and the campus. We wish for her a happy as well as busy life in Frenchburg.

EZEL MAKES THE HEADLINES

During the past week Ezel has made the headlines in the district newspapers. The following news stories brought the public's attention in Ezel's direction.

"7,000 Watch Farm Get Conservation Do-over"

Thus read the headline in the Louisville Courier Journal under date of September 27, 1948. The story told how the H. M. Fannin farm in the rolling hills, 2 miles west of Ezel, got a general face lifting that day, and the largest crowd ever seen in this section got a treat. They saw a huge, single-day job of soil surgery done by many men and $200,000 worth of specialized equipment. The project was the third in a series of conservation demonstrations being sponsored by the Federal Government's Conservation Caravan in Kentucky. The face-lifting operation included terracing, building ponds, ditching, tree planting, lime spreading, fencing and other activities. Almost every inch of the Fannin farm was treated in one way or another. Speakers at the demonstration included the state commissioner of Conservation and the state commissioner of Agriculture.

Mr. Fannin, the owner, is a veteran, and was wounded in the battle of the Metz. He is now enrolled in the Veterans' Agriculture Class affiliated with Ezel School. His wife, the former Gene Motley, who was raised on the same farm, is a graduate of Ezel School. Mrs. Fannin's mother was one of the group of parents who went to the Women's Board with the request for a school and church to be established for Ezel.

Ezel Graduate Appointed Head of State Hospital

Ezel friends were happy to read in the state papers that Dr. Mervel Hanes was appointed superintendent of the Eastern State Hospital at Lexington, Kentucky, when the former superintendent was transferred to the Western Hospital. Dr. Hanes is a graduate of Ezel High School in the class of 1940. After graduating from Ezel Mervel attended Morehead College and received his medical degree from the University of Louisville. He served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II. Three of Ezel's graduates are now successful physicians and surgeons.

Superintendent Speaks on Radio

On August 25 Supt. Wm. A. Heagen spoke over Eastern Kentucky's new radio station K.M.T.C. at Van Cleve, Kentucky. He told the story of Ezel School's organization, growth and present program. One of this year's graduates, Miss Irene Rowland, sang on the same program.

Slovan Mission

We of the Slovan Mission have been blessed by the meetings conducted by the Rev. Calhoun, of the Moody Bible Institute, who was with us for twelve days. Some asked why have services during vacation when so many are away but we are glad that this was the time appointed as

we were able to get the children to the morning meetings. About 30 of these responded to the invitation, and although some did not understand, others knew exactly what they were doing.

About twenty adults accepted Christ as their Saviour in the evening meetings. With some this meant understanding the things they had been studying, but with others it means breaking away from everything they have been taught. As one woman said when she wanted to pray the only thing she knew was the sign of the Cross. It is up to us who know the Word to "loose her and let her go." May the women of the church remember these new converts in prayer that the Holy Spirit will guide them into all truth.

Mrs. R. G. Russell

Work Being Completed at Elmont

This is my last month in the Lord's work here in Elmont, as I go the first of October to Bloomfield, New Jersey where I will be for three months.

The work that has been begun here will continue under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Rankin, as he and some of the members of the church will be visiting the homes where the folks do not attend any church and inviting them again to come to worship with them in their services.

The aim of the church is to have those who are outside of Christ to come to know Him as their personal Saviour. We covet your prayers for the work here that in each thing that is done Christ's name will be exalted.

In our survey the past five months, we found that in the section around the church there are 387 Catholic families, 224 Protestant families, 90 Jewish families, and 53 families who do not attend any church.

The fields are truly white unto harvest; Pray ye therefore for the harvest.

Jean Dickey

Hamilton Avenue, Pittsburgh

With the first of September all of our church activities have started, all of our meetings so far have been very well attended.

The Young People's Society had a corn roast at which all had a very good time.

I was away for two weeks for a very restful vacation. I went with my daughter and her husband to Canada.

Mary Ciancio

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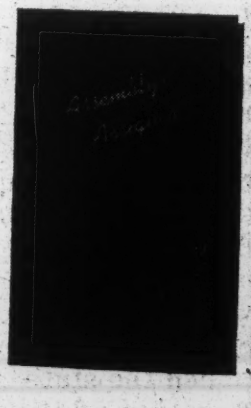

Negro Missions

And He made of one every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth.

MRS. H. RAY SHEAR, Secretary, 490 Serpentine Drive, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

(Editor's Note: The following account is given by Mr. James Reese, a senior in Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary. Mr. Reese is a native of Kentucky, a graduate of Knoxville College, and has spent two summers as a student pastor of our churches at Camden, Canton Bend and Miller's Ferry, Alabama.)

A Summer in the South-land

For many months I had looked forward to my return to Alabama. The short visit I had there in the summer of forty-seven had run my anticipation of return ever so high. The seminary closed on the 13th of May, and on the morning of the 15th I was in Alabama. The next morning I began my preaching services in the Camden Church.

The first two weeks were times of Commencement and Graduation. During these weeks I was able to give several chapel talks to the students of both the Camden and Miller's Ferry schools. Then the big day came and went and with its going went the students. The graduates had marched off into a future made secure because of their Christian education. The others had gone with an expectation of return in September to fulfill their course.

In the midst of the lonesomeness caused by the departure of the students, I began planning for the Vacation Bible Schools. The first school, that at Camden, had fifty young people in attendance. For two weeks we studied what the Bible had to say of itself, of God, of Jesus Christ, of young people, of prayer and of getting along with others. After a week of preparation and reshaping the course I went on to Canton Bend for two more weeks. It was here that Mr. and Mrs. Shellbane, in a spirit of true Christianity, loaned me their car to make my daily trips from Camden to Canton Bend. Our outline of teaching here was the same as at Camden. We had fifty-five in attendance. Here, as at Camden, our last day together was a day of picknicking and fun. In Camden we had gone to the Smith's farm, and in the afternoon for a long truck ride through the country-side. At Canton Bend we went to Henderson's Lake for the morning and returned to the Church for the afternoon meal. Our Sabbath evening program to close the school term consisted of devotional programs written by the students and a motion picture. At Camden we showed "The Boy Jesus" and at Canton Bend "The Prodigal Son."

At Camden we had, during the summer, a series of Cottage Prayer Meetings. We called them cottage meetings because each Wednesday evening found us meeting at a different home. It was a pleasant experience to see and hear the young people coming together for Bible study, sing-

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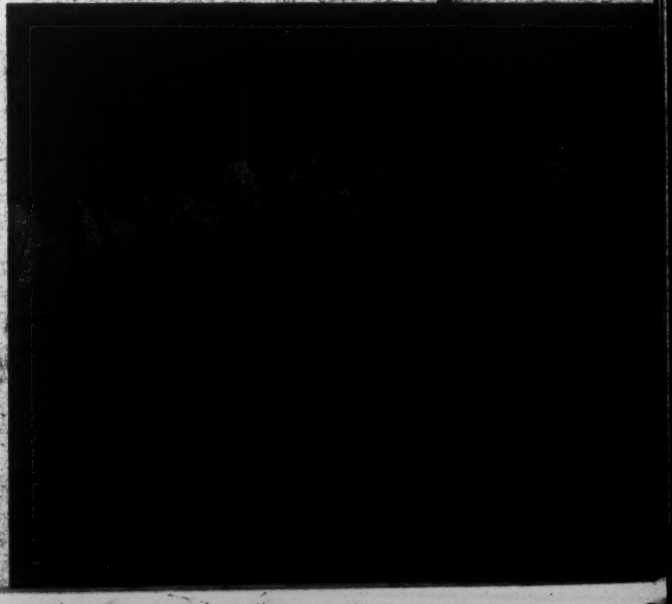
Vacation Bible School, Canton Bend, Alabama



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Mr. and Mrs. Fermer E. Plank

New Worker at Simnasho

Mr. Fermer E. Plank was appointed by the Women's Board to the work at Simnasho, Oregon. Mr. Plank realizing the burden for evangelism and education of children has taken special training in the field of Christian Education. He has had a wealth of experience in children's work as Scoutmaster, leader of Hi-Y and Gra-Y groups in Y.M.C.A. work and house-parent of an orphanage near Cleveland, Ohio. In connection with his course in Christian Education he has had practical Christian experience in a children's mission, in Week Day, and Daily Vacation Bible Schools, Sabbath School and Young People's groups. His wide experience with work among children is especially fine in relation to the type of work to be carried on at the Simnasho Mission which is mostly with the children.

We are happy to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Plank to their new work and wish for them much success as they are about to launch an extensive program of Christian service at Simnasho.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Rev. and Mrs. John Wilson for the excellent work that they have carried on at Simnasho. We shall indeed miss them and regret that they have found it necessary to leave on account of Mr. Wilson's health. We wish for both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson that they may enjoy a much needed rest.

Pearl Bear at Wheelock Academy

Miss Pearl Bear of the Sac and Fox Indians and a member of the Mesquakie U.P. Mission Church of Tama, Iowa graduated last May from the Cook Christian Training School of Phoenix, Arizona. During the summer she was a very able assistant to Mr. Patterson in his Daily Vacation Bible School at Tama. Miss Bear is making plans for her future work which is the launching of a week day religious educational program at Wheelock Academy, Government Girls' Boarding School, Millerton, Oklahoma. We have reason to be very proud of her as she represents the first of our young Christian Indians prepared to go out as a Christian leader among her own people. In the near future we shall hear more in

detail concerning Pearl Bear's work at Wheelock Academy.

Urgent Need for Missionary for Cherokee Mission

A few years ago a new field of service was added to our American Indian work among the white folk and the Cherokee Indians living in the area of Eastern Oklahoma at the foothills of the Ozarks. The Rev. Mr. George W. Smith was appointed by the Women's Board to this work October, 1941. He faithfully carried on preaching services in the various communities of the area at Dry Springs, Cave Springs and at Flute Springs. As there was no church building, services were held in the homes of the Indians. Mr. Smith also conducted Daily Vacation Bible School and classes in Christian Education in the day schools reaching children who had no other opportunity of receiving religious training. A hearty welcome always awaited him as he visited in the homes of the various communities traveling thousands of miles over rough mountain roads in his effort to reach their humble cabins. To these people he brought not only the message of the Gospel but also helped and encouraged them in gardening.

An evidence of answered prayer came when funds were secured which made possible the building of the Cherokee Mission Church in the southern part of Adair County about nine miles from Stilwell, Oklahoma. This Chapel was dedicated November 19, 1946. Thirty-five acres of rich land with much timber were purchased not only for the church site but also as an ideal place for a "Home Demonstration Project." This land was cleared, fenced and planted from which Indian families canned hundreds of quarts of fruit and vegetables. Two of the acres had been planted in fruit trees. A large pond was constructed which greatly increased the value of the property. A well was drilled near the Chapel and a driveway, walks and flower beds were also laid out. The success of this new project was evident in the fact that the community gradually changed from one of the worst to one of the most attractive places.

Two years following the building of the little Chapel, the mission met with a series of sad reverses. The missionary, the Rev. Mr. George Smith, had to resign on acount of ill health. He was greatly missed by his people who were truly appreciative of his tireless efforts in carrying on the mission work. During the absence of a missionary heroic efforts were made on the part of these faithful people to continue as best they could with the Bible School work and Sabbath services.

A few days before Christmas the sad news came that the Cherokee Mission Church had burned. It meant not only the loss of the chapel but also the interruption of a most promising field of service and the curtailing of the entire community life. Most earnest and appealing letters arrived from various members of the mission requesting the rebuilding of the church. Also a petition was received signed by over 100 people who had attended the Cherokee Mission asking us to rebuild the Chapel that they may have once more a place to pray together and to worship God.

It was an occasion for great joy and rejoicing when news reached the Stilwell community that their little church was to be rebuilt. Mr. Charles Sanders, a native of Stilwell and also a student of Sterling College very ably carried on the mission work during the summer. He constructed a Brush Arbor where he held services while the new church was being built. On Sabbath August 29, 1948 the people of the community gathered together for the Dedication Service of their new church—the rededicating of their church building for the purpose of worshiping the true God.

Let us pray earnestly that a missionary may be secured to lead these worthy people.

Foreign Missions

MRS. ARTHUR B. McBRIDE, Secretary, 847 Thorn Street, Sewickley, Pa.

KEEPING FAITH

"We will keep faith with you we leave behind:
The torch of faith you've given us
Will carry on, nor falter till its light
Will reach the ends of earth.
And in the dawning of that glorious, endless day,
All men shall live in universal brotherhood;
And Christ, the Risen Christ, shall rule and reign in every heart.
This is our pledge we make to you we leave behind."

Arrivals and Departures

Dr. Vida J. Graham sailed on S.S. CITY OF CALCUTTA September 22 for Bombay, India to return to Pathankot to the John and Jane Denham Memorial (Avalon) Girls' High School.

Dr. M. Evelyn Cathcart (Doctor of Pedagogy) sailed to Karachi, Pakistan on September 28 on the S.S. SILVERWAVE, Kerr Line. This is a new ship, though a freighter and very attractive, and will carry ten or twelve passengers.

Dr. and Mrs. F. C. McClanahan will have a happy foster-family to take to Egypt: Dr. Frank Baker and Miss Mary T. Anderson, R.N., to Assiut Hospital, Miss Lois M. Finney to the Girls' College in Cairo, and Miss Mary E. Reed to P.M.I. in Assiut. They sailed September 25 on the S.S. EXCALIBUR, American Export Line, for Alexandria.

The MOHAMMED ALI EL KEBIR party already reported in the October Magazine arrived in Alexandria September 20. It is always good news to hear of the safe arrival of the messengers.

All of these missionaries, those returning and those going for the first time, will be heartily welcomed by those who are already carrying heavy responsibilities. We pray for "journeying mercies" for them.

"THE KHEDIVE ISMAIL" of the Egyptian Mail lines sailed October 2 from New York. Dr. and Mrs. Emil Sayegh and little Eva Sayegh were aboard returning to their home in Tanta, Egypt and Dr. Sayegh to his work in Tanta Hospital. For about ten months Dr. Sayegh has been working and studying in New York Hospital, but even though he was busy, he took time to speak of Tanta Hospital in some of our churches, at the W.G.M.S. Convention, and at the New Wilmington Conference. As the Dr. Sayegh family sail away they leave behind them many new friends and pleasant recollections of their stay in the United States.

Accompanying the Sayegh family was Miss Shirley Anne Moss who fortunately was ready to sail to help in the Tanta Hospital office. Miss Moss is from the Second Church in Wilkinsburg and has been studying and working in State College, Pennsylvania. Our best wishes and prayers follow her as she takes up her work in a strange land.

Dr. Helen J. Martin of the Amer-

ican College for Girls, Cairo, Egypt, expects to sail this month, probably about November 19, on the "MARINE CARP," for a short furlough at home. She is welcoming many new short-term missionary teachers at the college this fall.

SIALKOT-PAKISTAN

The Sandes Soldiers' Home, Murree, Pakistan was a haven for our missionaries this year. Miss Elizabeth F. McConnell, R.N., of Memorial Hospital said: "Oh, this has been a marvelous rest in this cool station. The Sandes Home is in such a nice location, and the past three days without rain have been a real treat. The Home is located in the only pine forest in Pakistan. These gorgeous old pines, fifty or sixty feet high, are inspiring in their majesty. Beyond the tops of the pines are visible higher hills, many of which have houses dotted all over them; but the higher peaks are not visible very often, but when the mists lift and we have a peep at them it is a glorious sight. We are hoping for a view of the snows before we go down to the plains.

"Behind our house are many refugees from Kashmir who have taken shelter in the servants' houses. During the rains it was a pitiful sight to watch them. All were ill, so we had a clinic each evening. Some friends had sent me some 'klim' which I had brought along as extra nourishment. When I looked at these poor babies and children I knew I was much too well-fed already, so I gave milk to them each evening. How I wish I had many more tins! Several of us got busy, bought some wool, and made some small sweaters. I also got some shirts and pajamas for them. There is so much need everywhere that one does not know where to start. I fear this coming winter is going to be a very severe one for all, especially our poor Christians.

"Sialkot is still without electricity (dated August 27) and that means no running water in the hospital. Miss Lundquist has written that they have very few patients (fortunately,) but Dr. Davies keeps bringing in her poor dirty refugees from the camp. I do hope something will be done soon about the electricity, because a hospital without water, lights and fans is a difficult place to work. A new plant, I heard, was due in Sialkot last week; promises have been many."

Miss Theresa I. Brownlee was up in the hills in Murree for her vacation and from there she wrote: "While I am gone my two Christian weavers and two Christian helpers are making cloth. The weavers are to receive one-fourth of the cloth they weave as pay and the two helpers, learning to weave, receive now Rs. 5 and 7, as it is the first month for one and the second month for the other. Some poor Christian women are also helping by winding the thread on spools.

"One weaver and one helper are learning to read the adult primer. The other weaver and helper are learning to read the Gospel of John this summer. They have finished the primer.

"Cotton and thread have doubled in price since we commenced giving out cotton for our poor Christians to spin. I did not lend them cotton in July and do not plan to lend them any more until the new crop is ready in the winter. I want to go to camp as usual in the fall, and let the weavers work away as they are doing now. I would like to have a good tailor out of work make garments from our cloth and we could sell them."

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

After six months in school after her return to Ethiopia and a month with a teachers' training course, Miss Ruth M. Nichol was glad to seek some rest and quiet at Nazareth, Ethiopia, about sixty miles from

Addis Ababa, yet it is over 3,000 feet lower in altitude. It was pleasant and warm, a change from the rains and dark, cold days in Addis Ababa.

"The training course was planned for the simplest type of study, since none of the teachers has had much more than five or six years of formal education. I taught five periods which included a study of 'The Teacher and Her Work.' In this we made a brief study of the 'Life of Jesus as a Teacher,' and I endeavored to lead the girls to see what a real teacher ought to try to be. Then we had three courses in Methods: 'How to Teach the Bible, Arithmetic and Language.' It was not all I had hoped to teach, but was something and was a beginning."

The school needs another teacher and Miss Nichol asks us to remember that need in prayer. The task of moving took three days. Mrs. Walker and Miss Nichol are occupying the small apartment in the "Big Mission House" and they are hoping that in the remainder of the house they can accommodate probably thirty girls. This is the b e g i n n i n g of the Girls' Boarding School and as they begin they do it in faith that the Lord will provide for their needs, as there is a great need for a Christian Boarding School for girls in Addis Ababa.

New Ventures in Sayo

Besides the little school for the blind, Miss Hazel J. McGeary sees other avenues of service. In an air letter dated July 30 and received September 20 (long delayed because of the rainy season) she wrote: "I started a new class for the wives of ministerial students and we meet Wednesday and Friday mornings. This morning I had 7 women, and then 4 husbands to observe. My great burden is for trained Bible Women. Perhaps this is a step in that direction. The Lord surely placed this group on my heart and I pray He will lead us.

"Another group, the older compound girls, meets every Saturday afternoon. We are having Bible lessons, memory work and prayer. This is the age I love, this is another opportunity for d e v e l o p i n g Bible Women's work.

"This work is in addition to the work with the blind and handicapped. Another girl is coming—a cripple. She does not have legs. She wants to learn to read, etc., and the girls are anxious for her to have the opportunity. It really touches my heart to see these blind folk so concerned for others who have 'sickness' of the limbs. The blind people think that is much worse than loss of sight. This new girl can cook, which means that I can use her to help teach the blind girls. Those with an affliction are much more patient and understanding for teaching work."

Nasir Notes

"The Nasir launch really belongs to the whole South Sudan," Miss Marian Farquhar writes, "but for the present it is stationed here (perhaps because of our village school system for we have them scattered all over, one as far as 60 miles away and this is just the things for supervising them). Now all of us are putting into effect all the day dreams we've been having ever since we came.

"For one thing we are having afternoon Sabbath Schools up the river. We have three teams. Miss Jean Maxwell, R.N., is part of the first one and they really have two Sabbath Schools while the boat goes up stream. Mrs Charles Jordan is on the second team, and I am on the last one. The first team stops at a place where Miss Huffman's village workers go regularly; the second team at a place the village workers reach regularly only about two months of the year; and the last stop is out of the range of any of our regular work. Where the village workers do sort of house to house visiting we are trying to make these community affairs with

opening exercises, etc., and dividing into classes later. Would you especially remember this work?

"We have our own 'staff' prayer meetings on Thursday nights (which is about the time you in America are asking the blessing at noon). Then the teachers come one by one and we work the lesson over again. We go over it with them to get ours into reasonable Nuer, and they go over it with us to get theirs reasonably accurate—and neither of these processes is as aimple as it sounds!"

PERSONALS

Miss Lois D. Kingan of Girls' College, Cairo, and Miss Alberta A. Tedford, R.N., of Tanta Hospital, Egypt, had a fine vacation for the month of August on the Island of Cyprus. Through the day the mountain roads lured them and they walked from 10 to 15 miles a day, through pine forests and along streams, breathing fresh mountain air and storing up energy for the days to come.

Miss Mary L. Shields of Khartoum North and Miss Rosaltha Kenagy of Atbara had a nice vacation visiting in the South Sudan, at Nasir first, and since the province boat had to go to Akobo they were permitted to go there. After a three days' visit they came back to Doleib Hill. "I felt," writes Miss Shields, "I couldn't have gone any place that would have been better for me at the end of my first year, for I didn't need physical renewing, but I did need the spiritual and mental boost which I got. It was good to get to know all of our missionaries. All are busy, all have problems, but we all have the same Master."

Mrs. Don Armstrong of Fowler Home, Cairo, Egypt, was enjoying Sidi Bishr during her vacation. She and Miss Martha C. Glass of Luxor were housekeepers for the group one week and encountered some difficulties in buying, for if the butcher is not ready to cut the part you want, you just take the part that comes next. Mrs. Armstrong told of the improvements at Fowler Home. The outside is painted cream color and the shutters green. She was eager to see it.

"My most recent job at The Home was putting away winter clothing and blankets, and most of what I have done is in connection with the sewing room. Clothing 45 daughters is some job, but I'm enjoying it. I have found not knowing Arabic inconvenient at times; on the other hand it is surprising how well one can get along, with the tone of one's voice, pointing, demonstrating, and with the help of the older girls who know English. Miss Gomer is very kind about wanting to help me with Arabic, and I intend to do some serious studying this fall. I have picked up a few words and even at times I find I am able to understand what is being said."

Miss Esther W. Wilson tells of the enjoyment she had on her mid-term furlough in the lovely, cool, fragrant, piney, mountain top at Pine Crest Camp, Troodos, Cyprus. For this opportunity to get away from the enervating heat for awhile and store up new energy for the coming winter work, she was most grateful. With Mrs. Hoyman, Miss Davida Finney, Mrs. Dunlap, the Misses French, Grimes and Grether, and missionary friends from other missions she enjoyed out-door cooking, living in tents under pine trees, and good times of fellowship.

As the Magazine goes to press, a cable has come announcing the death of Mrs. Mary Robertson, Cairo, Egypt, on October 6, 1948. Mrs. Robertson is the mother of Miss Stella Robertson of the American College for Girls in Cairo. More detailed information will be published later.

LITERATURE

By MRS. WALTER H. HOLT, Secretary, 904 Publication Building, Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

TO BE ABLE TO SERVE

Assembly Assigned Booklet—The work of the W. G. M. S. in a nutshell—$.10. Have *you* your copy?

PRAYER CYCLE — The Literature Department will be ordering no more Prayer Cycles from the printer. We still have stock on hand here in the office from which you may order. When that is gone no more will be ordered, for the 1948-49 issue will be ready about the first of the year.

READING COURSE BOOKS — The year for reading is more than half over. The books have been good, we feel, and in great demand. From now on, we shall be ordering very closely from the publishers. Please send *now* for your Reading Course books so that we may know how to gauge our ordering. We would be pleased too to know your reactions to this year's books. Your comments will serve as a guide for selection next year.

PRESBYTERIAL LITERATURE SECRETARIES — You have seen your names listed imposingly on the back of the October Magazine. It is good to see you there. But how about literature displays at your Presbyterial rallies? Statistics for 1947 showed 37 Spring displays; 1948 showed an improvement with 43. Is your Presbyterial one which has never had a display? Write and ask for information.

ONE MUST KNOW

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR DECEMBER

Assembly Assigned Booklet

Foreign Missions Handbook

Booklets and Leaflets

The Story of Avalon Girls' High School (India) — Vida J. Graham — $.15.

Winifred Paterson (India)—Eva M. Hewitt — $.15.

Is It Nothing To You? (Egypt) — Mary C. Thompson — $.10.

Ye Shall Have A Song (Egypt) — Martha A. Roy — $.05.

Musei (Ethiopia) — Ruth L. Walker — $.05.

Our Missions in the Sudan—$.03

Other Story Leaflets

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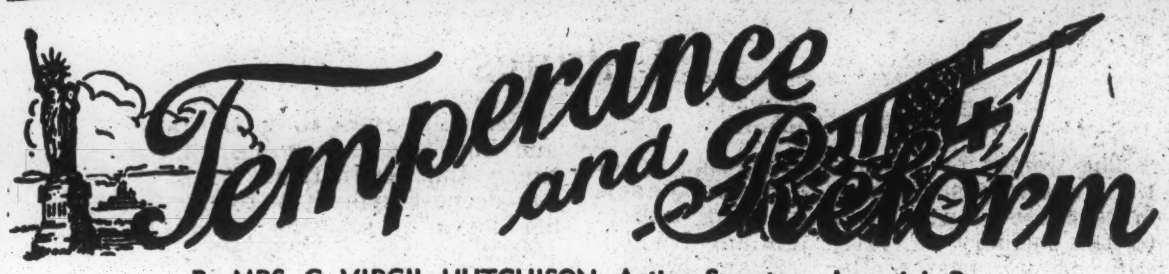

By MRS. G. VIRGIL HUTCHISON, Acting Secretary, Imperial, Pa.

LOCAL ELECTIONS IN 1947

(*Miss Laura Lindley, Research Sec'y, Nat'l Temperance League*)

Local option elections were reported held in 22 states in 1947, with the following results:

205 DRY units voted DRY—no change.
244 WET units voted WET—no change.
254 WET units voted DRY—DRY gain in 11 counties, 141 towns, and 102 precincts in 11 states.
26 DRY units voted WET—WET gain in 10 counties and 16 towns in 6 states.
622 units voted DRY—previous status not given.
462 units voted WET—previous status not given.
4 tie votes—previous status not given.

1,817 elections held in 1,061 units in 22 states.

The best estimates are that since repeal 22,286 local option elections have been held, in which the drys were victorious in 13,600.

METHODIST GENERAL CONFERENCE PLANS OFFENSIVE AGAINST ALCOHOL

The General Conference established a Conference Committee on Temperance and Prohibition to receive memorials and to recommend Church legislation to the next Quadrennial sessions. It provided for the retention in the *Discipline* of the present strong statement against the alcohol custom and traffic. It provided for an annual "Commitment Day," the first Sunday of Lent, upon which all Methodists will be asked to commit themselves to total abstinence from alcoholic beverages as the wiser way of life. A joint Connectional Board Committee was established to promote the temperance educational program of the Church. This Committee will consist of representatives of the Board of Temperance, the Board of Education, and the Women's Society of Christian Service. The Board of Temperance was instructed not to be diverted to the consideration of other social issues, but to confine its study and effort to its historic interest:

A PROGRAM OF ACTION

A brief program of action calls for:

1. *A Church-wide call to abstinence.*

2. *Greater emphasis upon temperance education throughout the denomination.*

3. *Insistence upon the natural right of any political subdivision to vote out the sale of alcoholic beverages.*

4. *Continued opposition to liquor advertising, because "if the Church is to carry out temperance education, it should not be handicapped by Government-tolerated education for intemperance."*

Tributes

Mrs. William Nicholl

The women of the missionary society of the United Presbyterian Church of Quincy, Massachusetts wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. William Nicholl, wife of our pastor, Dr. William Nicholl. She was called to her eternal home July 25, 1948.

She was teacher and adviser of the Golden Circle Bible Class, also a faithful, active member of the missionary society in service, in gifts and in prayer. She was Thank Offering Secretary of the society for many years, which office she filled with gratifying results.

She was indeed a loyal servant of the Lord and she left a heritage unto her friends which only one who has a truly solid trust in the Heavenly Father can leave.

Mrs. Nicholl will be missed by all who knew her. Her kindliness and gentle spirit will long linger with us.

To her husband, Dr. William Nicholl and family we extend our sincere sympathy and commend them to God's comfort and care.

Mrs. Alexander J. MacPherson
Mrs. John S. MacLeod

Mrs. Francis Marr

The Women's Missionary Society of the Second United Presbyterian Church of Buffalo, N.Y., feels deep loss in the death of Mrs. Francis Marr.

She was a loyal member of the church and an untiring worker for its cause. She was a member of our society for over two score years and a faithful worker for the cause of missions.

Her willingness to do the task before her and the cheering smile will leave a vacancy that cannot be filled. We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband and her loved ones. The Committee

Mrs. Elsie Brown

The Mary Ewing Missionary Society of the First U. P. Church, Akron, Ohio wishes to pay tribute to the memory of our faithful friend and loyal worker who was called suddenly to her eternal home on the morning of April 13, 1948.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her bereaved husband and three small children, and commit them to the Great Comforter.

But when the sun in all his state
Illumed the eastern skies,
She passed through Glory's morning gate;
And walked in Paradise.

Mrs. Anna Thomas
Mrs. Mildred Luli
Mrs. Josephine Louden

Mrs. Mary R. Holleran

The Women's Missionary Society of the Peter's Creek United Presbyterian Church, Venetia, Pennsylvania, wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of (Mrs. J. G.) Mary R. Holleran, who has been called to her heavenly home. We shall miss her smile, her sincere Christian character and her loyalty to the work of our church and society.

"They are not dead who live in hearts they leave behind."

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

The Women's Missionary Society

A SUMMER IN THE SOUTH-LAND

(*continued from page* 181)

ing and prayer. It was an even more pleasant experience to see them learning to pray, and learning of prayer's influence on their lives.

The larger programs did not constitute all the activities. Many afternoons were spent in times of personal evangelism and contact work. Home visitation went hand in hand with whatever else occurred and was the back-bone of all activities.

My closing paragraph is a tribute to those with whom I worked last summer. In each of them I found the spirit of co-operation. The teachers of the Bible Schools who helped me plant, knowing that God would give the increase; the parents who entrusted the children to our care, and prayed for the success of the work; the friends in the community who were working partners in the Kingdom enterprise.

I never wanted for anything, either for my work or for myself. The summer was a time of Christian unity built around a common dedication to One Lord. I did not want to leave, but only by leaving to finish my seminary work, could I be ready to return to the fine folks of Alabama.

James Reese

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% American Mission is used with each foreign address

PUNJAB, PAKISTAN

Miss Margaret E. Ballantyne, 1941 — Campbellpur
Miss Minnie Beatty, 1912 — Abbottabad
Miss R. Jean Black, 1921 — Pasrur
Miss N. Addaline Brandon, 1931 — Rawalpindi
Miss Frances E. Brown, 1927; 1937 — Sangla Hill
Miss Theresa I. Brownlee, 1922 — Sialkot City
Miss M. Evelyn Cathcart, 1925 — Hajipur, Sialkot City
Miss Edith M. Drake, 1947 — Gujranawala
Miss Margaret Fehlman, 1912 — Sheikhupura
Miss Dorothy M. Fisher, 1947 — Rawalpindi
Miss Betsy Fleming, 1913 — Sheikhupura
Miss Evva P. Hartig, R.N.A., 1924 — Jhelum
Miss Eva M. Hewitt, 1930 — Hajipur, Sialkot City
Miss Alice G. Hill, 1938 — Sargodha
Miss Reba C. Hunsberger, M.D., 1921 — Sialkot City
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Miss M. Frances Lincoln, R.N., 1920 — Sargodha
Miss Glendine Lundquist, R.N., 1938 — Sialkot City
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Miss Evelyn M. McKelvey, R.N., 1937 Sialkot City
Miss Margaret L. Murdoch, 1924 — Sangla Hill
Miss Marian T. Peterson, 1930 — Gujranwala
Miss Laura Reynolds, 1924 — Sargodha
Miss Louise Scott, 1916 — Gujranwala
Miss Helen C. Sharp, M.D., 1932; 1944 — Sialkot City
Miss Elizabeth H. Turner, R.N. 1947 — Sialkot City
Miss Helen V. Weede, 1928 — Campbellpur

PUNJAB, INDIA

Miss Vida J. Graham, 1922 — Pathankot
Miss S. Jane Lamont, 1928 — Pathankot
Miss Willa M. Ramsey, 1921 — Pathankot
Miss Vivian L. Trimble, 1921 — Pathankot
Miss Georga Wengert, 1919 — Gurdaspur

ON FURLOUGH

Miss Ruth I. Ardrey, 1921 — 826 S. Ogden St., Denver, Colo.
Miss M. Lois Boyd, 1919 — Sparta, Ill.

EGYPT

*Miss Mary T. Anderson, R.N., 1948 — Assiut
*Mrs. Don Armstrong, 1947 — Cairo
Miss Helen R. Brownlee, R.N., 1931 — Assiut
Miss Anna B. Criswell, 1905 — Assiut
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Miss Lucia Dwight, 1919 — Mansura
Miss Davida M. Finney, 1915 — Cairo
*Miss Lois M. Finney, 1948 — Cairo
Miss Elsie M. French, 1909 — Cairo
Miss Martha C. Glass, 1921 — Luxor
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Miss Lois D. Kingan, 1926 — Cairo
*Miss Helen V. Kirkness, R.N., 1947 — Tanta
*Miss Mary Lou Lash, 1948 — Assiut
Miss Lucy Lightowler, 1921 — Cairo
*Miss Mary L. Markley, 1948 — Cairo
Miss Helen Martin, 1915 — Cairo
Miss Dora B. Mason, 1918 — Assiut
*Miss Beatrice McClellan, 1947 — Cairo
Miss Jeannette L. McCrory, 1916 — Minia
Miss Sarah B. Meloy, 1923 — Cairo
Miss Lucile B. Nichols, R.N.A., 1945 — Tanta
Miss Helen J. Noordewier, 1921 — Fayoum
Miss Venna R. Patterson, 1924 — Tanta
Miss Frances Patton, 1922 — Mansura
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Miss Stella Robertson, 1922 — Cairo
Miss Martha A. Roy, 1935 — Luxor
Mrs. Rachel T. Seiver, 1925 — Benha
Miss Jane C. Smith, R.N., 1922 — Cairo
Miss Nellie C. Smith, 1911 — Beni Suef
Miss Alberta A. Tedford, R.N., 1945 — Tanta
Miss Mary C. Thompson, 1939 — Cairo
Miss Mary L. Thompson, 1917 — Assiut
Miss Helen M. Walker, 1930 — Assiut
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Miss Margaret A. Work, 1924 — Cairo
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THE NORTH SUDAN

Miss Mary E. Cole, 1919 — Wad Medani
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Miss Mary K. Smith, M.D., 1944 — Nasir

ON FURLOUGH

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Miss Ruth C. Beatty, R.N., 1920 — Sayo
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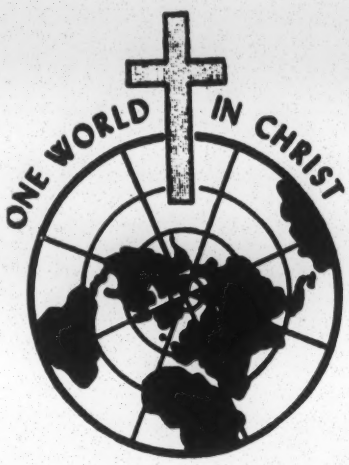

Christ is the Answer

"QUOTABLE QUOTES" FROM THE FOREIGN *MISSIONS ASSEMBLY*

Columbus, Ohio — October 6-8, 1948

It is possible to include in the October *Magazine* only this page concerning the great interdenominational meeting in Columbus held under the auspices of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

It was a privilege to hear presentations of the world's needs as given by outstanding Christian Nationals from many lands, including heart-warming and challenging messages by Paul Ramaseshan, principal of Church of South India Bible School; Hilda M. Lazarus, Director-Principal, Vellore Christian Medical College, South India; Albert J. Luthuli, Zulu layman and administrator; Gonzalo Baez Camargo of Mexico.

There were missionaries, too, from many lands, including Dr. Paul W. Harrison "the desert doctor" of Arabia, and Dr. Frank C. Laubach who is known throughout the world for his literacy advancement work.

Mission Board administrators and secretaries, including Dr. E. E. Grice of our own Board of Foreign Missions, gave pertinent addresses.

Many quotations worth pondering linger in the memory. Only a few can be given here:

"ONE WORLD IN CHRIST"—Conference Motto.

"No Power on Earth could overthrow a Kingdom sustained by the internal harmony of a united desire." (Quotation with the Conference Motto on the large banner hanging over the platform in Memorial Hall, Columbus, during the Foreign Missions Assembly).

"If we bring the world to Christ in this generation we must not only work hard, but we must not misdirect our efforts. The 1,200,000,000 *people who can't read or write must be brought to Christ."—Frank C. Laubach*

"Atheistic communism has slain its hundreds; secularism has slain its tens of thousands."—David A. MacLennan, Toronto, Canada

"We must not sit back and wrap the cloak of our own success about us and pass by on the other side."—Harold E. Stassen

"Today Africa is at a turning point."—Albert J. Luthuli, Natal, South Africa.

"The pastor is the key man in any program of advance. Pastors must inspire, recruit, and challenge . . ."—C. Oscar Johnson

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